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VOTES *1798-1807*  
AND  
*PROCEEDINGS*  
OF THE  
THIRTY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY,  
OF THE  
-STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

AT A SESSION BEGUN AT TRENTON, ON THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY  
OF OCTOBER, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND  
EIGHT, AND CONTINUED BY ADJOURNMENTS.

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BEING THE FIRST SITTING.

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LIST OF MEMBERS  
OF THE  
*Legislative Council.*

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Bergen,	THE HONORABLE,	William Colfax,	}	ESQUIRES.
Essex,		Thomas Ward,		
Middlesex,		James Schureman,		
Monmouth,		William Lloyd,		
Somerset,		John Frelinghuysen,		
Burlington,		George Anderson,		
Gloucester,		Richard M. Cooper,		
Salem,		Samuel Ray,		
Cape-May,		Joseph Falkenburge,		
Hunterdon,		John Haas,		
Morris,		Benjamin Ludlow,		
Cumberland,		Ebenezer Seely,		
Sussex,		Barnabas Swayze,		

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LIST OF MEMBERS  
OF THE  
*General Assembly.*

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BERGEN.

Albert C. Zabriskie, John Hopper, Adrian Post, Esquires.

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ESSEX.

Silas Whitehead, Israel Day, Nathan Squier, Andrew Wilson, Esquires.

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MIDDLESEX.

James Parker, James Voorhees, George Boice, Esquires.

# MONMOUTH.

Robert Montgomery, Tylee Williams, David Gordon,  
Esquires.

# SOMERSET.

John N. Simpson, Peter I. Stryker, James Vanduyn,  
Esquires.

# BURLINGTON.

William Coxe, William Irick, William Pearson, Caleb Earl,  
Esquires.

# GLOUCESTER.

Jacob Glover, Benjamin Rulon, Thomas Doughty, Esq'srs.

# SALEM.

Jeremiah Dubois, Daniel Garrison, Nathan Basset, Esqrs.

# CAPE-MAY.

Nicholas Willets, Esquire.

# HUNTERDON.

Joseph Hankinson, Aaron Vansyckel, Moses Stout, Joshua  
Wright, Esquires.

# MORRIS.

Lewis Condict, Nicholas Neighbour, Stephen Dod, Esqrs.

# CUMBERLAND.

Jonathan Moore, Ephraim Bateman, Esquires.

# SUSSEX.

Aaron Kerr, John Cox, William Kennedy, Henry Hankin-  
son, Esquires.



VOTES & PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
THIRTY-THIRD  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE  
STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

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TRENTON, *October 25, 1808.*

THIS being the time and place appointed by law for the first meeting of the general assembly, the following persons, to wit, Adrian Post, Albert C. Zabriskie, and John Hopper, as representatives for the county of Bergen; Israel Day, Silas Whitehead, Andrew Wilson, and Nathan Squier, as representatives for the county of Essex; James Voorhees, George Boice, and James Parker, as representatives for the county of Middlesex; Robert Montgomery, David Gordon, and Tylee Williams, as representatives for the county of Monmouth; James VanDuyn, John N. Simpson, and Peter I. Stryker, as representatives for the county of Somerset; William Coxe, William Pearson, William Irick, and Caleb Earl, as representatives for the county of Burlington; Benjamin Rulon, Jacob Glover and Thomas Doughty, as representatives for the county of Gloucester; Jeremiah Dubois, and Daniel Garrison, as representatives for the county of Salem; Joseph Hankinson, Aaron Vansyckel, Moses Stout, and Joshua Wright, as representatives for the county of Hunterdon; Lewis Condict, Nicholas Neighbour, and Stephen Dod, as representatives for the county of Morris; Jonathan Moore and Ephraim Bateman, as representatives for the county of Cumberland; Henry Hankinson, William Kennedy, Aaron Kerr, and John Cox, as representatives for the county of Sussex; attended, and produced the

respective certificates of their election ; which were read, approved and filed :—

Whereupon, James Vanduyn, esq. was appointed agreeably to the constitution to qualify Lewis Conduct, esq. who being duly qualified, took his seat ; and the other members present being qualified by the said Lewis Conduct, took their seats in the house.

The members proceeded to the choice of a speaker, when the honorable Lewis Conduct, esq. was unanimously chosen, and took the chair.

The house proceeded to the choice of a clerk, when James J. Wilson was unanimously chosen, and took his seat at the table.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that a quorum of this house have this day met, made choice of the honorable Lewis Conduct, esq. their speaker, and James J. Wilson their clerk, and have proceeded to business.

The house unanimously appointed William Gould their doorkeeper during the session.

Messrs H. Hankinson, Stryker and Whitehead, were appointed a committee to prepare and report rules and regulations for the government of this house.

Messrs Rulon, W. Coxe, and Dod, were appointed a committee to bring forward the unfinished business of last sitting.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that a sufficient number of members of council have this day met, elected the honorable Ebenezer Seely, esq. their vice-president, James Linn their secretary, and proceeded to business.

On motion of Mr Parker,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire into the validity of the act passed the 3d December, 1807, entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing electors of the president and vice-president of the United States and representatives in congress on the part of this state, and that the said committee report by bill or otherwise.

Messrs Parker, Kerr, and Garrison were accordingly appointed.



Mr Stryker presented petitions from John Brown and William Osbourn, congned in Somerset jail for debt ; which were read ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That said petitions be referred to a committee, and that the committee be instructed to enquire into the sufficiency of the insolvent law as it now stands and to report thereon by bill or otherwise.

Messrs Vansyckel, Pearson, and Day were accordingly appointed.

The speaker presented to the house a letter from William S. Pennington, esq. Law-Reporter, containing observations on the subject of preparing and printing the reports ; which letter was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr J. Cox presented a petition from inhabitants of the county of Sussex, praying that the selling of spiritous liquors by small measure without license may be made an indictable offence ; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Vanduyn, J. Cox, and Post, with leave to report by bill.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, *October* 26, 1808.

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr H. Hankinson, from the committee on that subject, reported rules and orders to be observed in the house ; which were read, agreed to, and ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

Mr Rulon, from the committee on that subject, reported the following list of unfinished business—

1. A bill to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company.
2. A bill to incorporate the presbytery of New-Brunswick.
3. A bill relative to the secretary's office.
4. A bill authorizing the governor of the state to defend certain suits.

5. A bill supplementary to the act incorporating part of the township of Trenton in the county of Hunterdon.
6. A bill to divorce Elizabeth Bunnell.
7. A bill authorizing a turnpike road from Dover to Suck-asunny Plains.
8. A bill respecting forfeited estates.
9. A bill supplemental to the act constituting courts for the trial of small causes.
10. A bill supplementary to the Jersey turnpike law.
11. A bill for laying a tax upon bank stock in the state of New-Jersey.
12. A bill to authorize a draw-bridge over Mantua Creek.
13. A bill to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company.
14. A bill to incorporate the Hackinsack and Pompton turnpike company.
15. A bill for a turnpike road from Newark to Morristown.
16. A bill supplementary to the act incorporating a company to open a communication by water from the Raritan river near New-Brunswick, to the river Delaware at or near Lamberton.
17. A report respecting the clerk's office of the supreme court.

The secretary of state brought to the house a communication from his excellency the Governor in the following words, viz.

*"New-Jersey, October 25, 1808.*

"I have the honor to lay before the Legislature ;

(A.) The Answer of the President of the United States to the address of "the representatives of the people of New-Jersey, in legislature convened," on 4th December last.

(B.) A proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States, by a resolution of the general Assembly of the state of Vermont, to "empower the president of the United States to remove from office any of the judges of the

courts of the United States, upon address to him made for that purpose, by a majority of the House of Representatives and two thirds of the Senate in Congress assembled.

(C.) A resolution of the general assembly of the state of Delaware, disapproving the said proposed amendment of the state of Vermont.

(D.) A resolution of the general assembly of the state of Virginia, proposing that the constitution of the United States be so amended—"that the senators in the Congress of the United States, may be removed from office by the vote of a majority of the whole number of members of the respective state legislatures, by which the said senators have been or may be appointed."

(E.) A Map of Virginia, presented by the general assembly thereof, to the legislature of New-Jersey.

(F.) Return of the Militia of New-Jersey, by Adjutant-General Hunt.

(G.) Congress, by a law passed the 2d April last, having authorized the sale of public arms, an order, on my application, was received from the Secretary at War, upon the Superintendent of Military stores in Philadelphia, for 1000 muskets and bayonets—but, as the order is confined to the delivery of French Muskets, (and which have been no doubt in service) and the price, at the rate of ten dollars for each musket, being very high; I deemed it discreet, to suspend the purchase until the present session of the Legislature; especially, as by a subsequent law of Congress, of the 23d of April last, provision is made for arming and equipping the whole body of the militia of the United States.

Three hundred and forty-two copies of the laws of the second session of the ninth Congress, being the proportion for New-Jersey, have been received and delivered as directed by law:

A copy of the Laws—of the Journal of Senate and of the House of Representatives; of the United States, of the first session of the tenth Congress—three copies of the report of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States on Roads and Canals—four volumes of the laws of Pennsylvania from



11th January 1803, to March 28th, 1808—and the acts of the last sessions of the legislatures of Virginia, North-Carolina, Kentucky and Ohio, will be delivered herewith.

JOSEPH BLOOMFIELD.

Which communication was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Voorhees presented sundry petitions from persons confined in the jail of the county of Middlesex for debt; and Mr Kerr presented four petitions from persons confined in Sussex jail for debt; which petitions were referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Dod presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of Morris county, praying that the selling of spiritous liquor by small measure, without license, may be made an indictable offence; and Mr Squier presented petitions from inhabitants of Essex county of the same purport; which were ordered to be referred to the committee on that subject.

On motion of Mr Post,

*Resolved*, That John Hopper, esquire, have leave to present on the second Wednesday of next session the bill which he had leave to present this day, on his complying with the requisitions of the order giving such leave.

The report of unfinished business was taken up,—

No. 1 was read and ordered a second reading on Tuesday next.

No. 2 was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 3 was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 4 was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 5 was read and dismissed.

No. 6 was read and committed to Messrs Kennedy, Montgomery and Wilson.

No. 7 was read and postponed.

No. 8 was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 9 was read and committed to Messrs Vanduyn, H. Hankinson, and W. Coxe.

No. 10 was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 11 read and ordered a second reading.

No. 12 read and postponed.

No. 13 read and postponed.

No. 14 read and dismissed.

No. 15 read and postponed.

No. 16 read and dismissed.

No. 17 was read, and committed to Messrs Moore, Simpson and Squier.

The speaker presented to the house a letter from Nicholas Willits, esq. a member-elect from the county of Cape-May, stating that the indisposition of his family prevented his attending in his place at the time required by law ; which letter was read and ordered to be filed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

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Nathan Bassett, esq. as a representative for the county of Salem, appeared in the house, produced a certificate of his election, was duly qualified, and took his seat.

Mr Parker, chairman of the committee appointed on the congress and electoral election law, moved that the committee be discharged from the consideration of the same. The motion being seconded, considerable discussion took place ; and on the question being put, Will the House discharge the committee ? the Yeas and Nays were called for, and were as follow :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Montgomery,  
Parker,

Messrs Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Williams,  
Zabriskie,

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,

J. Cox,

Day,

Dod,

Doughty,

Dubois,

Garrison,

Glover,

J. Hankinson,

H. Hankinson,

Messrs Kennedy,

Kerr,

Moore,

Neighbour,

Rulon,

Squier,

Stout,

Vansyckel,

Wilson,

Wright.

So the committee were not discharged.

*Ordered*, That four members be added to the committee

Messrs Whitehead, Williams, Bateman and Zabriskie were accordingly appointed.

Mr Kennedy, with leave, presented sundry affidavits in support of the application of Elizabeth Bonnell for divorce; which were read, and referred to the committee on her petition.

The communication from his excellency the governor was read a second time, and the items referred to therein were taken up separately.

The item marked A, being the Answer of the President of the United States to the Address of "The Representatives of the People of New-Jersey, in Legislature convened," on the 4th December last, was read, and ordered to be entered upon the Minutes of this house:—

*"To the Representatives of the People of New-Jersey, in their Legislature.*

"The sentiments, fellow-citizens, which you are pleased to express in your address of the 4th instant, of attachment and esteem for the general government, and of confidence and approbation of those who direct its councils, cannot but be pleasing to the friends of union generally, and give a new claim on all those who direct the public affairs for every thing which zeal can effect for the good of their country,



It is indeed to be deplored, that, distant as we are from the storms and convulsions which agitate the European world, the pursuit of an honest neutrality, beyond the reach of reproach, has been insufficient to secure to us the certain enjoyment of peace with those whose interests, as well as ours, would be promoted by it. What will be the issue of present misunderstandings cannot as yet be foreseen ; but the measures adopted for their settlement have been sincerely directed to maintain the rights, the honor, and the peace of our country. Should they fail, the ardour of our citizens to obey the summons of their country, and the offer, which you attest, of their lives and fortunes in its support, are worthy of their patriotism, and are pledges of our safety.

The suppression of the late conspiracy by the hand of the people, uplifted to destroy it wherever it reared its head, manifests their fitness for self-government, and the power of a nation of which every individual feels that his own will is a part of the public authority.

The effect of the public contributions in reducing the national debt, and liberating our resources from the canker of interest, has been so far salutary, and encourages us to continue the same course ; or, if necessarily interrupted, to resume it as soon as practicable.

I perceive with sincere pleasure that my conduct in the chief magistracy has so far met your approbation that my continuance in that office, after its present term, would be acceptable to you. But that I should lay down my charge at a proper period, is as much a duty as to have borne it faithfully. If some termination to the services of the chief magistrate be not fixed by the constitution or supplied by practice, his office, nominally for years, will, in fact, become for life ; and history shews how easily that degenerates into an inheritance. Believing that a representative government, responsible at short periods of election, is that which produces the greatest sum of happiness to mankind, I feel it a duty to do no act which shall essentially impair that principle ; and I should unwillingly be the person, who, disregarding the sound precedent set by an illustrious predecessor, should furnish the first example of prolongation beyond the second term of office.

Truth also obliges me to add, that I am sensible of that decline which advancing years bring on ; and feeling their physical, I ought not to doubt their mental effect. Happy, if I am the first to perceive and to obey this admonition of nature, and to solicit a retreat from cares too great for the wearied faculties of age.

Declining a re-election on grounds which cannot but be approved, I am sincerely thankful for the approbation which the legislature of New-Jersey are pleased to manifest of the principles and measures pursued in the management of their affairs ; and should I be so fortunate as to carry into retirement the equal approbation and good will of my fellow-citizens generally, it will be the comfort of my future days, and I will close a service of forty years with the only reward it ever wished.

TH: JEFFERSON.

*December 10, 1807.*

The item marked B. being an amendment proposed by the legislature of Vermont to the Constitution of the United States ; and the item marked C, being a resolution of the legislature of Delaware disapproving said amendment, were severally read and committed to Messrs Wilson, Stryker, and Glover.

The item marked D, being an amendment proposed to the Constitution of the United States by the legislature of Virginia, was read and committed to Messrs Day, Simpson and Doughty.

The item marked E, being a letter accompanying a map of the state of Virginia, presented by the legislature of that state to the legislature of this, was read and ordered to be filed ; and the map ordered to be put up in a conspicuous place in the house.

The item marked G. being an order from the Secretary at War of the United States to the governor of this state for 1000 stand of arms, was read and committed, with so much of the communication as relates thereto, to Messrs Irick, Neighbour and Post.



The return of the militia of New-Jersey by adjutant-general Hunt, was ordered to be placed up in a conspicuous part of the house for the inspection of the members.

*Ordered*, That a committee of five members be appointed on the part of this house to join a committee of council to settle the accounts of the treasurer.

Messrs Moore, Boice, Squier, Earl, and J. Cox, were accordingly appointed.

*Ordered*, That a committee of five members be appointed on the part of this house to join a committee of council to settle the accounts of the state-prison.

Messrs Dod, Stout, Gordon, Hopper and Wright were accordingly appointed.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council thereof, and request council to appoint committees on their part to join said committees.

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed to settle the quotas of the several counties for the ensuing year.

Messrs Zabriskie, Wilson, Parker, Gordon, Simpson, Irick, Glover, Basset, Wright, Dod, Bateman, Kennedy, and Willits were accordingly appointed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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THURSDAY, *October*, 27, 1808.

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council have appointed Messrs Ludlow and Colfax, or either of them, a committee on the part of Council, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the treasurer; and Messrs Anderson and Ward, or either of them, a committee for the purpose of settling the accounts of the state-prison.

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill for raising a tax for the ensuing year.

Messrs Voorhees, J. Hankinson, and Basset, were accordingly appointed.

Mr Garrison presented a petition from five prisoners for debt in Salem jail, and Mr Day a petition from a prisoner for debt in Essex jail; which were referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

*Ordered*, That the clerk do inform council that this house are ready to go into a joint-meeting for the choice of a governor of the state, and a clerk of the county of Morris: and request council to appoint the time and place of said meeting.

Mr Whitehead, with leave, presented a petition from the judges of the interior court of common pleas of the county of Essex, for an alteration in the time of holding the circuit courts, and courts of over and terminer, in and for said county; which petition was read, and committed to Messrs Squier, Hopper, and Kennedy.

The bill entitled An act respecting forfeited estates, was read a second time and ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

Mr W. Coxe presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Gloucester, stating certain irregular and unlawful proceedings, in the township of Galloway in that county, on the part of the officers of election; and praying the house to appoint a time when they may have an opportunity of substantiating the same; also a memorial from Mathew Gill, Samuel Clement, Michael C. Fisher, and Enoch Risley, claiming to be duly and lawfully elected, the first a member of council, and the others members of assembly from said county, and praying for a time to be fixed when they may appear and support their claim; which petition and memorials were read and postponed.

The letter of William S. Pennington, esq. as law-reporter, was called up, read a second time, and committed to Messrs H. Hankinson, W. Coxe, and Wright.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council will be ready to go into a joint meeting for the purpose of choosing a governor of this state and a clerk of the county of Morris, on Monday next, at three o'clock afternoon, in the assembly-room.

Mr Irick, from the committee to whom was referred so much of the governor's communication as respects the purchase of arms, reported, that they approve of the reasons assigned by the governor for his declining to purchase the arms referred to in his communication.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Kennedy, from the committee to whom was referred the bill entitled An act to divorce Elizabeth Bonnell from her husband James Bonnell, reported,

That they have examined the petition and papers accompanying said bill, and find no room to doubt that the said petitioner has been deserted by her said husband for more than seven years, and is consequently entitled to a divorce; that they are of opinion that the law has provided another remedy in such cases; but taking into consideration the heavy expences attending that remedy, and the situation and circumstances of the present applicant, the committee think it would be an act of charity as well as of justice, for the legislature to interfere in the present case, and therefore report the bill committed to them.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

On motion of Mr W. Coxe, the house adopted the following preamble and resolution:

A petition from certain citizens of the county of Gloucester, and a memorial from Mathew Gill, Michael C. Fisher, Samuel Clement, and Enoch Risley, having been presented, complaining of illegality in the return of the members of council and assembly from the county of Gloucester, and praying that the said returns may be set aside, and the seats of the sitting members vacated; and also praying that the



said memorialists may be admitted as duly elected to represent the said county.

*Resolved*, That the said petition and memorial be referred to Messrs Garrison, Earl, H. Hankinson, Gordon, and Dod, to examine and report thereon; that the said committee be authorized to send for persons and papers; and that the clerk of this house be authorized and directed to issue subpoenas for witnesses on the application of either the said Michael C. Fisher, Samuel Clement, and Enoch Risley, or of the sitting members.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, *October* 28, 1808.

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Rulon presented a petition from sundry persons confined in Gloucester jail for debt; which was ordered to be referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Wright presented a petition from Catharine Johnson, widow of George Johnson, dec. praying the legislature to confirm the last will and testament of her said husband, notwithstanding an informality in the same; which petition and accompanying documents being read, were committed to Messrs Wright, Williams, and J. Cox.

The bill entitled An act to divorce Elizabeth Bonnell from her husband James Bonnell, was read a second time, with the documents; and after some consideration thereof,

*Ordered*, That said bill be dismissed, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw the papers.

The bill entitled An act respecting forfeited estates, was read a second time, the consideration thereof by section gone into, and after some time employed thereon, the bill was committed to Messrs Stryker, Day and Moore for the purpose of amendment.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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Mr H. Hankinson, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act for the publication of law reports; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Day presented a petition from Nicholas Ogden, praying that on the payment of a certain sum to the state the legislature would release to him all that remains unsold of the forfeited real estate of his father David Ogden, esquire, deceased; which petition was read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Parker presented sundry petitions from inhabitants of Middlesex county, praying a law to authorize a turnpike road from the toll-bridge across Rahway river at William Edgar's landing, through the villages of Woodbridge, Bonham-Town and Piscataway, to New-Brunswick, or a point in the Essex and Middlesex road near that place; also a remonstrance from a number of inhabitants of said county against said road; which petitions and remonstrance were read, and committed to Messrs Voorhees, Bateman, and Irick, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Parker presented a petition from the officers and privates of a troop of cavalry in Middlesex county, praying a number of alterations in the militia law of this state; which petition was read, and committed to Messrs Stryker, Dougherty, Irick, Day and Post.

Mr Post presented a petition from the president and directors of the Essex and Middlesex turnpike company, praying that the legislature would not authorize the turnpike road from Edgar's bridge to New-Brunswick; which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, *October 31, 1808.*

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Ten o'clock—the House met.

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Mr Squier, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the judges and justices of the county of Essex, praying an alteration in the time of holding the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer, in said county, reported,

That the petitioners have leave to bring in a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

Whereupon, Mr Squier, on behalf of the petitioners, presented a bill entitled An act to alter the time of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery in the county of Essex, to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill providing for the support of the officers of government for the ensuing year.

Messrs Vansyckel, Bateman, and Zabriskie, were accordingly appointed.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to prepare and report a bill to defray incidental charges.

Messrs Whitehead, Pearson and Glover were appointed for that purpose.

Mr Williams presented a petition from three persons confined for debt in the jail of the county of Monmouth; which was ordered to be referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Vansyckel, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act passed March eighteenth one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act for the publication of law-reports, was read a second time, and after some consideration,

*Ordered*, That said bill be dismissed.

The bill entitled An act relative to the secretary's office, was read a second time, and, together with a bill entitled An act directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the prerogative court, committed to Messrs Vanduyn, Basset and Kennedy.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Perth-Amboy turnpike company, was called up and read ;

Mr Parker presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, in favor of said bill ; which were read ; whereupon

*Ordered*, That the said bill and the petitions relative thereto, have a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

Council came into the assembly room, and the two houses went into joint-meeting ; after which the house proceeded to business.

On motion of Mr Simpson, *Resolved*, That the committee already appointed on military affairs, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of appropriating the whole or a part of the money now in the treasury, arising from fines, &c. for the non-performance of military duty, to the purchase of a train of field-artillery, for the militia of this state.

Mr Kennedy, with leave, presented a bill entitled An additional supplement to an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed the 15th day of March, 1798 ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.



TUESDAY, *November 1, 1808.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Vansyckel, from the committee for that purpose, reported a bill entitled An act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of the state of New-Jersey; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Day, from the committee to whom was referred the resolution of the general ssembly of Virginia proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, reported,

That they are of opinion it would be inexpedient to make any alteration in the constitution of the United States at this time.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Post presented a petition from the elders and deacons of the Ponds congregation, in the township of Franklin and county of Bergen, praying to be authorized to raise by lottery one thousand dollars to assist in defraying the expence of a meeting-house now building; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Glover, Post and Day, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act passed March eighteenth, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An additional supplement to an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed the 15th day of March 1798, was read a second time, and after considerable discussion, dismissed.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company was read and committed to Messrs Squier, Voorhees and Hopper.

Mr Voorhees presented a representation and memorial from the president and directors of the Trenton and New-Brunswick turnpike company, on the subject of the Princeton



and Kingston branch turnpike road; which was read and committed to Messrs Simpson, Bateman and Montgomery.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the New-Brunswick presbytery, was called up and made the order for tomorrow morning.

The bill entitled An act to alter the time of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court and court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery in the county of Essex, to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October, was read a second time and postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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Mr Stryker, from the committee on military affairs, reported a bill entitled An act to procure field artillery, to alter the day of the annual meeting of the board of general and field officers, and the regimental muster in the Cumberland brigade; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Nicholas Willits, esq. representative from Cape-May, appeared in the house, was qualified, and took his seat.

Mr Post presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the township of Bergen, in the county of Bergen, praying a law to enable them to fence in a certain tract of woodland therein mentioned; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Zabriskie, Wright and Williams, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company, was called up and postponed until next Tuesday.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson river opposite the city of New-York to the eastern abutment of the bridge over Hackinsack river, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of the state of New-

Jersey, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act, passed March 18th, 1795, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,

Messrs Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Montgomery,  
Moore,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Wright.

### NAYS.

Messrs Dod,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Post,

Messrs Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Zabriskie.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY *November 2, 1803.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Glover from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the consistory of the Ponds congregation, in the township of Franklin, in the county of Bergen, praying for a lottery to enable them to finish a church in said congregation, reported,

That the committee are of opinion that the laws of New-Jersey are founded on a wise and just policy in prohibiting lotteries and deeming them public nuisances, the committee are therefore unanimously of opinion that the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Stryker, from the committee on the bill respecting forfeited estates, reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill as reported was read, and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of the state of New-Jersey, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker do sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson river opposite the city of New-York to the eastern abutment of the bridge over Hackinsack river, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,

Messrs Boice,  
J. Cox,

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## YEAS.

Messrs W. Coxe,  
 Day,  
 Dod,  
 Doughty,  
 Dubois,  
 Earl,  
 Garrison,  
 Glover,  
 Gordon,  
 J. Hankinson,  
 H. Hankinson,  
 Hopper,  
 Irick,  
 Kennedy,  
 Kerr,  
 Montgomery,  
 Moore,

Messrs Neighbour,  
 Parker,  
 Pearson,  
 Post,  
 Rulon,  
 Simpson,  
 Squier,  
 Stryker,  
 Vanduyne,  
 Vansyckel,  
 Whitehead,  
 Wilson,  
 Williams,  
 Willits,  
 Wright,  
 Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Mr Stout,

Mr Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign said bills.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

On motion of Mr H. Hankinson,

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that this house is ready to go into a joint-meeting for the choice of a senator to congress, and request council to appoint a time and place.

The bill to incorporate the presbytery of New-Brunswick, was called up and made the order for Friday morning next.

The bill entitled An act to appoint commissioners to lay a road from the lower end of the Paterson and Hamburg turnpike road in the county of Essex, to the Hoboken and Hackinsack turnpike road in the county of Bergen, and to incorporate a company to make and keep the same in good repair, and to authorize said company to erect toll-bridges



across the Passaick and Hackinsack rivers where the said road shall cross the same, was called up, and postponed indefinitely.

Mr Glover presented to the house a certificate of half-pay in favor of Unice Platt, widow of Samuel Platt, the back of which being filled with endorsements, she prays that the same be renewed; which being read,

*Ordered*, That said warrant be renewed, and that the clerk request the concurrence of council in the order for said renewal.

The bill entitled An act to procure field artillery, &c. was read a second time, and recommitted to the committee who made it.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council will be ready to go into a joint meeting for the choice of a senator to congress, to-morrow afternoon, at three o'clock in the assembly-room.

Mr Squier presented two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Essex, praying the legislature either to alter the direction of the Essex and Middlesex turnpike road, in its course across Bound-Creek, or to provide that a draw may be made in the bridge which the said company erect over said creek, to be passed toll-free; which petitions were read, and committed to Messrs J. Cox, Squier and Neighbour.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike road from Aquaknonk landing in Essex, to the Belleville turnpike road at the gate thereof near Schuyler's mine in the township of New-Barbadoes, Bergen county; was called up, and postponed indefinitely.

The house adjourned for the purpose of allowing committees time to sit, to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, *November 3, 1803.*

Ten o'clock—the house met.

Mr Wright, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to confirm the last will and testament of George Johnson, late of the city of Trenton, deceased ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr J. Cox, from the committee on the petitions of a number of the inhabitants of the county of Essex, praying a supplement to the Essex and Middlesex turnpike law, (so far as respects a draw in the bridge to be built over Bound-Creek) reported, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The committee on the bill entitled An act to provide field artillery, to alter the day of the annual meeting of the board of general and field officers, and the regimental muster in the Cumberland brigade, reported the same with sundry amendments ; which bill as reported, was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

On motion of Mr Dod, the following preamble and resolution were adopted :

Whereas it appears by a report of a committee of last session, that there are very considerable sums of money due to this state from the county of Sussex, on account of arrears of taxes ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether the said monies have been paid into the treasury, and that they have leave to report by bill.

Messrs Basset, Williams and Dod were accordingly appointed.

Mr Vanduyn, from the committee on the bill entitled An act relative to the secretary's office, and the bill entitled An act directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the prerogative court, reported the said bills incorporated under the title of An act relative to the secretary's office, and directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the

prerogative court ; which bill as reported was read, and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr Moore presented a petition from the residuary legatees of Hannah Preston, widow of Col. Isaac Preston, praying to be allowed the half-pay due to the said widow ; which petition was read, and, together with the accompanying documents, committed to Messrs Bateman, Boice and Wilson, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act laying a tax upon bank stock in the state of New-Jersey, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs Whitehead, Simpson, and Vansyckel.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

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Council came into the assembly room, and the two houses went into joint-meeting ; after which the house proceeded to business.

The bill entitled An act to confirm the last will and testament of George Johnson, late of the city of Trenton deceased, was read a second time, and after some discussion dismissed, and leave given to the petitioner to withdraw her papers.

Mr Parker presented two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Middlesex in favor of the bill for a turnpike road from Perth-Amboy to Boundbrook ; which were ordered to be read with the second reading of the bill.

Mr Zabriskie, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from a number of the inhabitants of the township of Bergen, in the county of Bergen, praying that leave may be given to bring in a bill to prevent horses, neat cattle and sheep, from running at large in any part of a certain tract of woodland in the upper part of the said township, reported,

That they are of opinion the petitioners ought to have leave to bring in a bill agreeable to the prayer of the petition, having previously advertised the purport of the bill they mean to present,



Which report being read and agreed to, Mr Post presented An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein :

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Squier from the committee on the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company, reported the same with sundry amendments ; which bill as reported, was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from the house of assembly, entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act, passed March 18, 1795, with an amendment ; to which amendment they request the concurrence of the house of assembly.

Which amendment was read and postponed.

Mr Bateman offered to the house the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the committee appointed to settle the state-prison accounts be instructed to enquire into and report to this house, a statement exhibiting the number of convicts, their places of nativity, whether slaves or free blacks, their crimes, sentences, and the instances wherein the sentences have not been executed, with the reasons assigned by the inspectors and keeper for such deviation.—Also that said committee be instructed to revise the different laws relating to the institution, and report such amendments as they may deem expedient, and also such a statement of the stock and materials on hand as will exhibit an accurate view of the property of the state in the hands of the managers of that institution.

Which resolution was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, *November 4*, 1808.

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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The resolution offered yesterday by Mr Bateman, relative to the state-prison, was called up, read a second time, agreed to, and ordered to be carried to council for concurrence.



The bill entitled An act respecting forfeited estates, was called up and made the order for Wednesday next.

The bill entitled An act to procure field artillery, to alter the day of the annual meeting of the board of general and field officers, and the regimental muster in the Cumberland brigade, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn, their secretary, informed the house that council concurred in the resolution of the house of assembly relative to the state-prison.

The bill entitled An act relative to the secretary's office, and directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the prerogative court, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Dod presented a petition from Isaac Ross, praying the redemption by the legislature of certain bills to the amount of 298 dollars principal, of the New-Jersey emission of June 9th, 1780 ; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Kennedy, Pearson and Dubois.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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Mr Voorhees, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to incorporate the Woodbridge turnpike company in the county of Middlesex and state of New-Jersey ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

On application of Mr Willits,

*Ordered,* That the leave given to sundry petitioners at the last sitting to present a bill this day for the preservation of certain fisheries in Cape-May, be extended to any future day of this sitting.

*Ordered,* That a committee be appointed to inspect the government-house and appurtenances, and report to this house the situation of the same.

Messrs W. Coxe, Wright and Moore were accordingly appointed.

The report of the committee on the petitions of a number of the inhabitants of the county of Essex praying a supplement to the Essex and Middlesex turnpike law, so far as respects a draw in the bridge to be built over Bound-Creek; which report was in favor of leave being given to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition, was called up and read a second time,

Whereupon, Mr Parker presented a memorial from the president and directors of the Essex and Middlesex turnpike company, in opposition to the application above mentioned; which was read; whereupon,

*Ordered,* That the further consideration of said report be postponed.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company, was read a second time, the consideration thereof by section gone into, and, after some time employed thereon, committed to the committee who made it for the purpose of amending the 6th and 7th sections.

The house adjourned to three o'clock on Monday afternoon, to give time for committees to prepare the business in their hands.

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MONDAY, *November 7,* 1803.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

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The bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein, was read a second time, and committed to the committee who reported it, with instructions to report a statement of facts respecting the same to the house.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council had passed the bill from this house entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act for facilitating the communication from the Hudson river oppo-





cussion thereon ensued, when the question was put, and the resolution negatived.

*Ordered*, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the bill and papers accompanying the same.

The bill was then read a second time, ordered to be postponed, and the usual number of copies to be printed for the use of the house.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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TUESDAY, *November 8, 1808.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Wilson, from the committee on that part of the governor's message inclosing a resolution of the general assembly of the state of Vermont, of the 6th of November, 1807, proposing an alteration in the Constitution of the United States respecting the judiciary; and of the state of Delaware disapproving such alteration; reported,

That the committee have duly considered the subject committed to them, and are of opinion that it would be inexpedient to make any alteration in the constitution of the United States respecting the judiciary powers at this time.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Squier, from the committee on the bill entitled an act to incorporate the Bellville turnpike company, reported the same with amendments, which amendments were read, agreed to, and on the question Shall this bill be engrossed? It was decided in the negative. Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That said bill be postponed.

The speaker laid before the house the following report on the property of the society of useful manufactures at Paterson.

"I availed myself of the opportunity, when holding a special term of the court of chancery at Newark, in August last, to visit Paterson, to carry into effect the object of the



legislature in their resolution of 3d December last, relative to the interest of this state in the society for establishing useful manufactures. Elisha Boudinot, esq. the governor of the corporation, and colonel Dodd met me by appointment, also Abraham Vanhouten esqr. agent of the company, Mr Kinsey and other persons residing in Paterson. From their representation, from a general view of the property, inspection of the minutes of the proceedings of the corporation and of the books of their agent, the following information was collected.

Since the report made to the legislature in October 1804 by Col. Dodd, the *Cotton-Mill* with all the *Machinery* mentioned by him, have been destroyed by fire, \$ 6.500 insurance thereon has lately been received, and with \$ 20.000 of the original capital stated by Col. Dodd as unexpended, constitute the *principal* of the *personal estate*.

Since the loss of the cotton-mill, the *real estate* has been improved by a canal, from which water is given to a cotton mill lately erected, and can supply water for as many mills as may be wanted.

1805.	Rent of the cotton-mill and real estate,	\$ 1391 00
1806.	Ditto,	1390 00
1807.	The real estate, (the cotton mill being burnt) rented for	865 00
1808.	Ditto,	865 00
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	Expences for repairs,	1080 19
	Cutting large canal,	1000 00
	Allowance to the superintendent, Mr VanHouten, \$ 250 per year, four years,	1000 00
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		3080 19
	Unexpended,	\$ 1430 81

The whole number of shares on which payments have been made in full, held at present by about seventy persons,

amount to two thousand two hundred and fifty-six. This state therefore is entitled to something more than a twenty-third part of all the property of the company.

Notwithstanding the loss of the cotton-mill and machinery, the real estate is now at least of the value stated by Col. Dodd, probably somewhat more, say

	\$ 33.500 00
Money at interest, about	26.500 00
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	\$ 60.000 00

Upon this view of the property, a share in the stock of the society may be estimated at \$25, which is a loss of 75 per centon \$10.000 the original cost—but the saleable value being at this time depressed 87 1-2 pr cent, or \$12.50 *for a share*, being the highest price which can be obtained, I did not think myself justifiable to make sale of any shares of stock held by the state.

Access could not be had to the books of accounts, bonds and securities in the hands of *George Scriba*, esqr. the treasurer, as he was very ill *in the gout* at Newark when I called upon him, and represented to me, that they were in New-York and in such a situation as not to be moved without his being present.

The proportion of the state in the above balance, of unexpended rent, was too trifling to receive, nor was any interest received on the personal estate, as the full amount of the annual interest thereof, could not be satisfactorily ascertained, without a view of the treasurer's books, the bonds and securities, &c.

It is with pleasure, I add, that the president, treasurer, agent and tenants of the society, manifested a disposition to give every information and satisfaction that could be reasonably required.

JOSEPH BLOOMFIELD.

November 7th, 1808.

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr Day presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the borough of Elizabeth in the county of Essex, praying

that a certain part of the said borough may be set off and erected into a new township to be called the township of Union ; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Day, Willits and Vansyckel.

Mr Bateman from the committee on that subject reported a bill entitled An act for the relief of the residuary legatees of Hannah Preston, late widow of col. Isaac Preston, deceased ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wright presented a memorial from the mayor, aldermen and common council of the city of Trenton, praying that the legislature would pass a law authorizing the commitment of offenders to the jail now erecting in said city ; also, a memorial from the mayor of the city requesting an explanation by the legislature of certain parts of the act of incorporation ; which memorials were read and committed to Messrs Pearson, H. Hankinson and Stout, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Kennedy presented a petition from John Gardner of the county of Sussex, praying to be divorced from his wife Jane Gardner, which petition, with the papers accompanying the same, was read, and after some discussion, leave was given the petitioner to withdraw his papers.

Mr Vansyckel presented a petition from the heirs of Richard Palmer late of the township of Trenton deceased, praying a law authorizing the sale of the real estate of said deceased and the distribution of the proceeds thereof among his heirs at-law ; which petition was read and referred to the committee appointed on a similar subject yesterday.

Mr Vansyckel presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, praying that the bill before the house for laying a tax on bank stock, may be passed into a law ; which petition was read, and referred to the committee on said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to procure field artillery, to alter the day of the annual meeting of the board of general and field officers, and the regimental muster in the Cumberland brigade, was read a third time and compared.



On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Kerr,

Messrs Montgomery,  
Moore,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post.  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Willits.

NAYS.

Messrs Dod,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Kennedy,  
Neighbour,

Messrs Stout,  
Whitehead,  
Williams,  
Wright.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled an act relative to the secretary's office, and directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the prerogative court, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The amendment made by council to the bill entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act passed March 18,



1795, was taken up, read a second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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Mr H. Hankinson presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Sussex, against the practice of selling spiritous liquors by small measure without license ; which petition was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Day presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Essex, praying such an alteration in the road law as that payment shall be made out of the public treasury for all lands which may hereafter be taken for public highways ;—which petition was read, and committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Wilson and Moore.

Mr Stryker from the committee on military affairs, reported a bill entitled an act granting further compensation to the adjutant-general, and providing for other extra services ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled an act supplemental to the act entitled an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes was taken up, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The re-engrossed bill entitled an act to revive and extend the insolvent act passed March 18, 1795, was read and compared.

On the question Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,

Messrs Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

## YEAS.

Messrs Montgomery,  
Moore,  
Pearson,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,

Messrs Vansyckel,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willets,  
Wright.

## NAYS.

Messrs Dod,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Post.

Messrs Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendment made thereto by council, has been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused the said bill to be re-engrossed.

Mr Basset, from the committee appointed to enquire whether the monies which were due from the county of Sussex had been paid into the treasury, reported,

That not any of the arrearages of taxes due from said county has been paid into the treasury ; yet the committee are informed and induced to believe that the arrearages aforesaid have been duly assessed on the inhabitants of said county, and that a law at this time enforcing the immediate payment thereof is unnecessary.

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, November 9, 1808.

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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The engrossed bill entitled an act supplemental to the act entitled an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

YEAS:

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Montgomery,  
Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

NAYS.

Mr Whitehead,

Mr Wilson.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry the same to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council had passed a bill entitled An act to authorize Mary Gaston, administratrix, and Alexander Kirkpatrick administrator of Hugh Gaston, deceased, to complete a contract for the sale of lands made by the said Hugh Gaston and William Logan, with Peter Seward; to which bill they request the concurrence of the House of assembly;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Day, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of inhabitants of the borough of Elizabeth, praying a law to set off a part of said borough into a separate township, reported,

That the committee are of opinion the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of said petition :

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr H. Hankinson presented a petition from Joseph Parke, praying a law to authorize him to convey water from his spring by an aqueduct to the village of Asbury ; which petition was read and committed to Messrs H. Hankinson, Neighbour and Hopper, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Bateman, from the committee on those subjects, reported a bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Judith Harris late of the county of Cumberland deceased ; and a bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Richard Palmer, late of the township of Trenton, County of Hunterdon and state of New-Jersey, deceased ;

Which bills were respectively read and ordered second readings.

Mr Parker presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, praying that compensation may be made for all lands taken for public highways ; which petition was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Parker presented a memorial from the Associates of the Jersey company, on the subject of the controversy existing with the state of New-York respecting jurisdiction ; which memorial was read, and committed to Messrs Parker, Whitehead, Stryker, W. Coxe, and Moore.

Mr Parker presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, praying that the legislature would devise some more effectual means to prevent the damages now done to sheep by dogs ; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Dod, Williams and Squier.



The bill entitled An act respecting forfeited estates, was taken up, gone through by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Simpson from the committee to whom was referred the representation and memorial of the president and directors of the Trenton and New-Brunswick turnpike road, reported,

That in the opinion of the committee, the application of the memorialists is founded on a principle which ought never to be sanctioned by this house, namely, that the legislature have a right at their pleasure to alter and abridge any corporate body, of privileges previously granted, without their approbation or consent; a principle which if once acted upon by this house, would establish a precedent of very dangerous tendency, inasmuch as it would render insecure the chartered rights of every corporation in the state, and open a door for the most gross violations of public faith.

The committee are further of opinion, that if any irregularities have taken place, either on the part of the commissioners appointed to lay the Trenton and Princeton branch turnpike road, or on the part of the president and directors of said company, whereby the memorialists have been injured, they have their remedy by a suit at law. Your committee are therefore unanimously of opinion, that the prayer of the memorialists ought not to be granted.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The report of the committee appointed to make enquiry respecting the arrearages due from the county of Sussex, was called up, and committed to the committee who made it.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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The bill entitled An act to incorporate the New-Brunswick presbytery was taken up, and after some time employed thereon,

*Ordered*, That said bill be dismissed.

Mr Parker presented a petition from Hannah Dunham, relict of James Dunham, late of the county of Middlesex, deceased, praying for a law to authorize her to sell certain real estate of her said husband, and to put the monies at interest; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Vanduyn, Parker and Willits, with leave to report by bill.

Mr W. Coxe, from the committee appointed to examine the repairs done to the government-house, and to report a statement of their amount, reported,

That on the 15th November in the session of 1806, a committee of the house of assembly reported their opinion of the necessity of making sundry repairs which were then agreed to by the house, but not acted upon further—That the sum estimated as sufficient at that time was supposed to be about four hundred dollars—That the governor having been informed (as he has stated to your committee) that the house had individually expressed an opinion that it would be expedient to have the repairs made under his direction, had proceeded to cause the same to be completed agreeably to the report so agreed on by the house, with the addition of iron railings to the front steps and a trifling repair to the entry, the amount of all which repairs as exhibited with vouchers by him amount to the sum of three hundred and ninety-two dollars and ninety-four cents per accounts and vouchers exhibited by him—The committee further report, that in pursuance of the direction of an ordinance of the corporation of the city of Trenton for the levelling and improving the streets thereof, a further expence had been incurred in paving and curbing the whole front of the government-lot, agreeably to the account of Thomas Ryall (mason) certified by Stacy Potts esqr. mayor of the city of Trenton, amounting to two hundred and fourteen dollars 26 cents—Your committee therefore submit the following resolution—

*Resolved*, That the amount of the said accounts be referred to the committee appointed to report a bill to defray incidental charges, in order that the payment of the same may be duly provided for by law.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Post presented sundry petitions from inhabitants of the county of Bergen, praying an alteration in the law respecting the licensing of taverns ; which petitions were read and referred to the committee on the petitions against selling spiritous liquors by small measure without license.

Mr H. Hankinson presented a remonstrance from John Rickey, William Rickey, and John Rickey, jun. against the application of Joseph Parke for authority to bring a stream of water by an aqueduct into the village of Asbury ; which remonstrance was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Post presented sundry petitions from inhabitants of the counties of Bergen and Morris, praying that compensation may be made by the public for lands taken for public highways ; which petitions were referred to the committee on that subject.

The bill from council entitled An act to authorize Mary Gaston, administratrix, and Alexander Kirkpatrick administrator of Hugh Gaston deceased, to compleat a contract for the sale of lands made by the said Hugh Gaston and William Logan with Peter Seward, was read a second time, and, together with the documents accompanying the same, committed to Messrs Dod, Simpson and Day.

The bill entitled An act granting further compensation to the adjutant-general and providing for other extra services, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr H. Hankinson from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Parke praying a law to authorize him to convey the water by an aqueduct from his spring in the township of Mansfield through the village of Asbury in the county of Sussex, reported,

That the petitioner have leave to present a bill for that purpose on the second Tuesdsy in the next session of the legislature, he having previously advertised the purport of the same three weeks successively in one of the newspapers which circulates in that neighborhood, and also in three of the most public places in said township ;



Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

The bill entitled An act to alter the time of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery in the county of Essex, to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council had passed a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to erect and establish a bank in the city of New-Brunswick ; to which bill they request the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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THURSDAY, *November 10, 1808.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Vanduyn, presented two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Somerset praying to be authorized to raise by lottery a sum of money to repair a certain road therein mentioned ; which petitions were read and committed to Messrs Stryker, J. Hankinson and Voorhees.

Mr Vansyckel presented a petition from the legatees of John Busenberger late of the county of Hunterdon deceased, praying the legislature to appoint commissioners to carry into effect the last will and testament of the said John Busenberger deceased, which petition was read and committed to Messrs Vansyckel, Boice and Glover, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Dod, from the committee on the bill entitled An act to authorize Mary Gaston administratrix, and Alexander Kirkpatrick administrator, of Hugh Gaston deceased, to compleat a contract for the sale of lands made by the said Hugh Gaston and William Logan, with Peter Seward, reported the same without amendment ; which bill was read, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.



Mr Squier presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the townships of Newark and Orange, county of Essex, praying to be authorized to raise a sum of money by lottery to complete a school-house in the vicinity of Camptown; which petition was read and referred to the committee already appointed on a similar subject.

Mr H. Hankinson presented a petition from Daniel Stuart, agent and attorney of William Allen and John Allen, praying that a general law may be passed relative to the division of lands lying in different counties and held by different persons as tenants in common; which petition was read and committed to Messrs H. Hankinson, W. Coxe, and Vansyckel, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company, was taken up; a motion to reconsider the vote upon engrossing the same, being made and carried, the said bill underwent some amendment, and was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Day, agreeably to leave given, presented a bill entitled An act to set off a part of the borough of Elizabeth in the county of Essex, and to incorporate the same into a separate township to be called the township of Union; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Day also presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Elizabeth against said bill; which petition was read and ordered a second reading with the bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to alter the time of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery in the county of Essex to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October, was read a third time and compared.

On the question shall this bill pass?

A motion was made and carried that the further consideration of said bill be postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act respecting forfeited estates was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

A motion was made and carried, that the further consideration of said bill be postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act granting further compensation to the adjutant-general, and providing for other extra-services, was read a third time and compared.

On the question Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,<sup>1</sup>  
Day,  
Dod,  
Dubois,  
Glover,  
Kerr,  
Montgomery,

Messrs Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Zabriskie.

### NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
Doughty,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,

Messrs Pearson,  
Rulon,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Willets,  
Wright.

Mr Rulon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Gloucester, praying that buildings may be held liable for one year after being finished, for all materials furnished and work done towards their erection; which petition was read and dismissed.

Mr Moore, from the committee to whom was referred the report of a joint-committee of both houses of the legislature, made December 3, 1807, relative to the clerk's office of the supreme court, reported,

That by said joint report certain repairs were recommended to be done to the clerk's office of the supreme court, not exceeding in amount one hundred and fifty dollars, and that certain files and books belonging to the office had been retained by the late clerk for the purpose of completing the records that were in arrear:—Your committee further report that the repairs recommended have been made by the present clerk in such manner as to meet their approbation for \$ 130 26 ; and that the files and records retained by the late clerk have been returned to the office ; your committee therefore submit the following resolution—

*Resolved*, That the statement of the clerk of the supreme court and the vouchers accompanying it, relative to the repairs and expenditures on his office, be referred to the committee appointed to report a bill to defray incidental charges, in order that said expenditures may be provided for by law.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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Mr H. Hankinson presented a petition from John Lowrance, praying the legislature to authorize him to raise by lottery a sum of money to remunerate him for losses sustained by fire ; also a representation of sundry inhabitants of Sussex county in his behalf ; which petition and representation were read, and referred to the committee on the subject of lotteries.

Mr Vansyckel presented a petition from Matthias Case, confined in Hunterdon jail for debt since the first of September last, praying relief ; which petition was ordered to be postponed to the next sitting of the legislature ; together with the petitions of John Arrison and John Emmons, prisoners confined in the same jail for debt since the first of September, presented by Mr H. Hankinson.

Mr Stryker, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions from the inhabitants of Somerset county pray-



ing for the aid of a lottery to repair an important district of their highway, reported,

That the district of road contemplated to be permanently repaired, is one of the principal market roads for the inhabitants of Somerset county and for a considerable proportion of the inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon—That at least nine months of the year this district of road is from the nature of the soil very heavy and for several months almost impassable—Your committee being impressed with the very great inconveniences resulting therefrom to a very considerable number of our citizens and perceiving no other eligible plan of permanent repair within the power of the applicants, are decidedly of opinion that the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayers of their petitions.

Which report was read, and disagreed to by the house, and leave given the applicants to withdraw their papers.

The bill from council entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to erect and establish a bank in the city of New-Brunswick, was read a second time, considered by section, amended, and ordered a third reading.

The house resumed the bill entitled An act respecting forfeited estates ; and on the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Richard Palmer, late of the township of Trenton, county of Hunterdon, and state of New-Jersey, deceased, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of said bill be postponed.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Judith Harris, late of the county of Cumberland, deceased, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.



The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to alter the time of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery in the county of Essex to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October ;

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Day,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Montgomery,  
Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Voorhees,  
Williams.

### NAYS.

Messrs W. Coxe,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Irick,  
Pearson,

Messrs Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Willits,

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FRIDAY, *November* 11, 1808.

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Vansyckel from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for appointing trustees for the sale

of a tract of land situate in the county of Hunterdon, late the property of John Busenberger, deceased, and for disposing of the money arising from the sale agreeably to the will of the deceased;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr H. Hankinson, from the committee on the memorial of Daniel Stuart, reported a bill entitled An act relative to the mode of dividing real estates situate in more counties than one; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr Kennedy, from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Isaac Ross, stating that he holds bills of the New-Jersey emission of June 9th, 1780, to the amount of \$ 293 principal, and praying relief from the state, reported,

That having examined the act of 1780 establishing said bills with directions for redeeming the same in six years from that date, and having been informed that there has been a law since that time directing the treasurer of this state to receive said bills at three for one, but your committee not being able to lay their hands on said law, think it would be inexpedient to do any thing in it at this time.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house, and the petitioner had leave to withdraw his petition.

Mr Hopper, from the committee to whom was referred the bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein; reported the same with an amendment; which bill as reported was read and postponed.

On motion of Mr Day,

*Ordered*, That leave be given to the petitioners relative to the bridge over Bound-Creek, to withdraw their papers.

Mr Basset, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the county of Sussex; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:—

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Montgomery,  
Parker,

Messrs Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willets,  
Zabriskie.

### NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
Dubois,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Rulon,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wright.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

A message from council by Mr Linn, their secretary, informed the house that council had passed the bill from this house entitled An act relative to the secretary's office, and directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the prerogative court, with amendments, to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house.

Which amendments were read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from council entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to erect and establish a bank in the city of

New-Brunswick, with the amendment made thereto by this house, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill and amendment pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Montgomery,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

### NAYS.

Messrs Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
Neighbour,

Messrs Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wright.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill and amendment.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house with an amendment, and request their concurrence in said amendment.

The bill entitled An act for the relief of the residuary legatees of Hannah Preston, late widow of col. Isaac Preston, was read a second time, considered, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon—the 'House met.

Mr Pearson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act to incorporate a part of the township of Trenton, in the county of Hunterdon; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council entitled An act to authorize Mary Gaston administratrix and Alexander Kirkpatrick administrator of Hugh Gaston, deceased, to compleat a contract for the sale of lands made by the said Hugh Gaston and William Logan with Peter Seward, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,

Boice,

J. Cox,

W. Coxe,

Day,

Dod,

Doughty,

Dubois,

Earl,

Garrison,

Glover,

Gordon,

J. Hankinson,

H. Hankinson,

Hopper,

Kennedy,

Kerr,

Neighbour,

Messrs Parker,

Pearson,

Post,

Rulon,

Simpson,

Squier,

Stout,

Stryker,

Vanduyne,

Vansyckel,

Voorhees,

Whitehead,

Wilson,

Williams,

Willits,

Wright,

Zabriskie.

#### NAYS.

Mr Basset,

Mr Irick,

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Judith Harris late of the county of Cumberland deceased, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Montgomery,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Willits,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

### NAY.

Mr Williams.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the relief of the residuary legatees of Hannah Preston late widow of colonel Isaac Preston, deceased, was read a third time and compared.

On the question Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,

Messrs Boice,  
W. Coxe,

## YEAS.

Messrs Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Glover,  
H. Hankinson,  
Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Pearson,

Messrs Rulon,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willets,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
Day,  
Garrison,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Montgomery,  
Post,  
Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,  
Wright.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

Mr Rulon presented a petition from James, Benjamin and William Cheeseman, praying for a law to authorize some suitable person to carry into effect the last will and testament of John Wild, deceased; which petition was read, and committed to Messrs Glover, Neighbour and Bateman, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act to set off a part of the borough of Elizabeth in the county of Essex, and to incorporate the same into a separate township to be called the township of Union, was read a second time, and made the order of the day for tomorrow morning.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Perth-Amboy turnpike company, was called up—

Mr Boice presented a petition of a large number of inhabitants of the county of Middlesex against said bill, which was read ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of said bill be postponed.

The bill entitled 'An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the county of Sussex, was read a second time and postponed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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SATURDAY, *November 12, 1803.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr W. Coxe, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions from the counties of Bergen, Essex, and Middlesex, praying a law to grant compensation to the proprietors of lands taken for public highways, reported,

That notwithstanding the evil complained of is acknowledged to exist, yet it is doubtful whether the remedies proposed would effectually answer the intentions of the petitioners, or could be justified by principles of equity or policy. The Eastern parts of the state are improved by numerous turnpike companies who have indemnified the owners of the lands over which they have passed. Such common highways as may hereafter be opened through the interior of that part of the country will operate exclusively to the benefit of the inhabitants of the vicinity ; they will be opened under the direction of officers chosen from among themselves, and any valuation of the property will be made by men interested in swelling the estimate of their value, over whom the legislature can have no controul. The western counties can have but a remote interest in improvements of a mere local nature in the eastern counties, and they cannot justly be called on to contribute towards them by disbursements from the state treasury. Whether compensation should be made by the county or by the applicants, in whole or in part, is a question which the committee will not presume to decide, but that



the house may determine on the principle, they submit the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report a bill further amending the act for laying out vacating and altering of roads, passed June 1st, 1799.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Pearson presented a petition from sundry prisoners for debt in Burlington jail—

Mr Squier presented a petition from sundry prisoners for debt in Essex jail ; and

Mr Vansyckel presented a petition from a prisoner for debt in Middlesex jail—

Severally praying for legislative interference in their behalf—

Which petitions were respectively read, and postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

The bill entitled An act to set off a part of the borough of Elizabeth, in the county of Essex, and to incorporate the same into a separate township to be called the township of Union, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Perth-Amboy turnpike company ; and having considered the same by section ;

*Ordered*, That said bill be engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council had passed a bill entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Effee Garbrants late Effee Vanhouten, and Mindert Garrabrants jun. her husband, to which bill they request the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act relative to the mode of dividing real estates situate in more counties than one, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs H. Hankinson, W. Coxe and Vansyckel.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Richard Palmer, late of the township of Trenton, county of Hunterdon, and state of New-Jersey, deceased, and after having gone thro' the same by section,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act for appointing trustees for the sale of a tract of land situate in the county of Hunterdon, late the property of John Busenberger, deceased, and for disposing of the money arising from the sale, agreeably to the will of the deceased, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr H. Hankinson, from the committee on the bill entitled An act relative to the mode of dividing real estates situate in more counties than one, reported in lieu thereof a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the more easy partition of lands held by corparceners, joint-tenants and tenants in common, passed the 11th of November, 1789; which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr Stryker, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Lowrance, praying the benefit of a lottery for his relief, reported,

That the distressed situation of the petitioner and the respectability of his recommendation, induce the committee to ask, that leave be given to present a bill to answer the prayer of said petitioner.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

**MONDAY**, *November 14, 1808.*

Ten o'clock—the House met.

Mr Stryker from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of the officers and soldiers of the third troop of the Middlesex squadron of cavalry, reported,

That although regulations embracing in some measure the views of the petitioners might reanimate a respectable corps of the militia of this state; yet your committee anticipating the disposition of this house, believe it inexpedient at this time to offer any bill for that purpose.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to set off a part of the borough of Elizabeth, in the county of Essex, and to incorporate the same into a separate township to be called the township of Union, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:—

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Montgomery,

Messrs Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Pearson,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willets,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

### NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Irick,

Mr Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the more easy partition of lands held by coparceners, joint-tenants, and tenants in common, passed the 11th of November, 1789, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of said bill be postponed.

The report of the committee on the application of John Lowrance for a lottery, which report was favorable to the application, was called up and read a second time—

On motion of Mr Stryker, Levi Howell, esq. was admitted within the bar of the house to make a representation in behalf of the petitioner—

After which considerable discussion took place; when the question was put, and the report disagreed to.

*Ordered*, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw his papers.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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The engrossed bill entitled An act for appointing trustees for the sale of a tract of land situate in the county of Hunterdon, late the property of John Busenberger, deceased, and for disposing of the money arising from the sale agreeably to the will of the deceased; was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Perth-Amboy turnpike company, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:



## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
W. Cox, Day,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Montgomery,  
Moore,  
Parker,

Messrs Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie,

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Rulon,  
Stout,  
Vanduy, Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wright.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The bill from council entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Effie Garrebrants, late Effie Van-Houten, and Mindert Garrebrants, jun. her husband, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered a third reading.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council have agreed to the amendment made by this house to the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to erect and establish a bank in the city of New-Brunswick ; and have caused the same to be re-engrossed. Also, that council had passed the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company ; and the

bill entitled An act to procure field artillery, to alter the day of the annual meeting of the board of general and field officers and the regimental muster in the Cumberland brigade ; severally with amendments ; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house.

The amendments made by council to the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company, were read, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The amendments made by council to the bill entitled An act to procure field artillery, to alter the day of the annual meeting of the board of general and field officers, and the regimental muster in the Cumberland brigade, were read, considered, and disagreed to ; whereupon

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council and inform them that their amendments have been disagreed to by this house.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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TUESDAY, *November 15, 1802.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Vanduyn, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act concerning inns and taverns, passed the 24th of February, 1797 ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Belleville turnpike company, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
W. Cox,.  
Day,

Messrs Earl,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Moore,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,

Messrs Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

### NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Rulon,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wright.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said re-engrossed bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Richard Palmer, late of the township of Trenton, county of Hunterdon, and state of New Jersey deceased, was read a third time and compared.

On the question Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

Mr Parker, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, and representatives to congress on the part of this state; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike company, was called up, and committed to Messrs Squier, Parker and Zabriskie.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein, as reported by the committee, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon, recommitted to the committee who reported it.

Mr Wright presented a petition from John Hever of the township of Nottingham, for a law to authorize him to maintain and repair a dam across the Assanpink creek near the mouth thereof; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Wright, Voorhees and Doughty with leave to report by bill.

Mr Moore presented a petition from Jame Lee, esq. and others for an alteration in the law respecting the division of real estates; which petition was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the more easy partition of lands held by coparceners, joint-tenants, and tenants in common, passed the 11th of November, 1789, was considered by section, and the question for engrossing it being negatived,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be dismissed.

A message from council by Mr Linn, their secretary, informed the house that council had disagreed to the bill entitled An act for the relief of the residuary legatees of Hannah Preston, late widow of col. Isaac Preston, deceased.

On motion of Mr Moore, the petition of James Lee, esq. and others was called up, and committed to Messrs Moore, Kerr, and Earl.

The report of the committee on the subject of amending the road law, was called up and agreed to, except so far as related to the appointment of a committee to report a supplement to said law, which was disagreed to by the house.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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On motion of Mr H. Hankinson,

The memorial of Daniel Stuart, esq. was referred to the committee on the petition of James Lee, esq. and others, and leave given the committee to report by bill.

The bill from council entitled An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Effie Garrebrants, late Effie Van-Houten, and Mindert Garrebrants, her husband, was read a third time,

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,

Messrs Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

#### NAYS.

Messrs Basset,  
Dubois,  
Glover,

Messrs J. Hankinson,  
Stout.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

The amendments made by council to the bill entitled An act relative to the secretary's office, and directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the prerogative court, were read a second time, the amendments all severally agreed to except the first which was disagreed to, and the clerk directed to inform council thereof.

Mr Pearson presented a petition from Gideon H. Wells, praying for reasons therein assigned, that the petition of John Hever, presented this morning may not prevail; which petition was read and referred to the committee on the petition of John Hever.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, and representatives in congress on the part of this state, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act concerning inns and taverns, passed the 24th day of February, 1797, was read a second time, and after some discussion, committed to the committee who made it for the purpose of amendment.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Woodbridge turnpike company, in the county of Middlesex, and state of New-Jersey, was taken up and read a second time—

Mr Post presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of Bridgetown, praying that the said bill may not pass into a law.

Which petition, together with those for and against the bill already on the table were read—

The bill was then gone through by section, the title so amended as to read An act to incorporate the Woodbridge turnpike company in the county of Middlesex, and the said bill ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, *November 16, 1808.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Whitehead, from the committee on the bill entitled An act laying a tax upon bank stock in the state of New-Jersey, reported the same without amendment.

*Ordered,* That said bill lie on the table.

Mr Zabriskie from the committee on the bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein, reported the same with amendments ; which amendments were read and agreed to, and the bill postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing electors of the president and vice-president of the United States and representatives in congress on the part of this state, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Squier presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Rahway, and from sundry owners and masters of vessels employed in carrying freight to and from Bridgetown and New-York, praying that the town-committee of the township of Rahway may be invested with power to rebuild and maintain the public dock or landing place at or near Shotwell's landing on Rahway river ; also the proceedings of a town-meeting of said township, and sundry documents relative to the same subject ; which petition and papers were read, and committed to Messrs Wilson, Pearson and Rulon, with leave to report by bill, and instructions to take into consideration the propriety of enacting a general law on the subject.



The bill respecting the Bergen woodlands, was gone thro' by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Bateman, with leave, presented a bill entitled An act to incorporate societies for the promotion of American manufactures ; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr Squier presented a petition from the officers of the first battalion, third regiment, Essex militia, for leave to hold their battalion trainings within the territorial limits of the adjoining battalion ; which petition was read and referred to the committee on military affairs.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company was called up, and committed to Messrs Parker, Day and Post.

Mr Whitehead moved the following to be added to the standing rules of this house—

That in all cases the public bills before the house shall have the preference of privates ones—

Upon which some discussion took place, when the further consideration of the same was postponed.

Mr W. Coxe presented a petition numerously signed by inhabitants of the county of Burlington, for a law to authorize a turnpike road from the city of Burlington, to some convenient point on the turnpike road from Trenton to New-Brunswick ; which petition was read ; whereupon,

*Ordered,* That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition.

Mr W. Coxe accordingly presented a bill entitled An act to incorporate the West-Jersey turnpike company ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act laying a tax upon bank stock was called up, and discussed—

On the question upon agreeing to the first section of the bill, the yeas and nays were called for, and were as follows—



## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
J. Cox,  
Doughty,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Rulon,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Parker,  
Pearson,

Messrs Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

*Ordered,* That said bill be dismissed.

Mr Moore, from the committee on that subject reported a bill entitled An act for the dividing of the several tracts of land situate in the counties of Sussex and Morris, commonly known by the name of the Andover furnace and forge tract, agreeably to shares held by the original coparceners, joint tenants, and tenants in common; also for the dividing of all that tract of land, marsh, swamp, and cripple, situate in the township of Maurice river, in the county of Cumberland, and known by the name of Devall's island, among the several persons interested in the same, agreeably to their respective shares; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Vanduyne, from the committee on the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act concerning inns and

taverns, passed the 24th day of February 1797, reported the same with amendments ; which amendments were read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Squier from the committee on the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike company, reported the same with amendments ; which amendments were read and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

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The bill entitled An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the county of Sussex, was taken up, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Parker from the committee, on the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company, reported the same with sundry amendments ; which amendments were ordered to be read with the second reading of the bill.

Mr Parker presented a petition from Hannah Dunham, praying that certain property since discovered, may be included in the bill prayed for by her former petition : which petition was read and referred to the committee to whom her former petition was committed.

Mr Whitehead presented a petition from Susan M'Mahon, widow of Jeremiah M'Mahon, who was disabled in the service of the United States, during the revolutionary war, praying some relief ; which petition was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr Moore, from the committee appointed to settle with the treasurer, made the following report, which was ordered to lie on the table for the inspection of the members—



*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer, in account with the state  
Being for receipts and disbursements from November 1, 1807,  
1807.*

Dolls. Cts.

<i>Nov. 4.</i>	To cash received of James Ewing, esq. for interest,	811 51
10.	To do received of Samuel L. James, sheriff of Salem, for fines recovered,	61 85
19.	To do received of Joseph Marsh, esq. a fine recovered of a pedlar,	15 00
<i>Dec. 5.</i>	To do received of Alexander Dunn, sheriff of Middlesex, for fines,	80 00
	To do received of Jacob Glover, sheriff of Gloucester county, for do.	95 00
	To amount of tax payable the 19th Janu- ary next.	25,000 00
<i>Jan. 11.</i>	To do received of Matthias Williamson, sheriff of Elizabeth borough, for fines recovered,	59 14
12.	To do received of James Ewing, esq. for interest and part of the principal of the funded debt.	1792 11
	To do received of A. Mercer, being a dividend on turnpike road,	300 00
27.	To do received of Nathan Squier, late sheriff of Essex for fines,	70 00
<i>Mar. 23.</i>	To do received of Nathan Price, sheriff of Hunterdon, for do.	53 00
<i>April 1.</i>	To do received of James Ewing, esq. for interest.	811 51
<i>May 10.</i>	To do received of James Lloyd, sheriff of Monmouth,	31 30
<i>June 17.</i>	To do received of Timothy Elmer sheriff of Cumberland,	3 81
<i>July 12.</i>	To do received of A. D. Woodruff, for an old debt recovered of B. Whitall, formerly sheriff of Gloucester.	65 91
16.	To do received of James Ewing, esq. for interest.	811 51

Carried forward,

30061 65



*of New-Jersey,  
to November 1, 1808.*

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1807.

Dolls. Cts.

<i>Nov.</i> 2. By cash paid conveying 1 prisoner from Gloucester county,	21 97
By do paid conveying two do from Burlington county,	2 40
By do paid Thomas Skillman for three months pension,	10 00
By do paid Rachel Stivers for 6 mo. do.	20 00
10. By do paid for one abandoned black of Somerset county,	41 50
By do paid conveying 1 prisoner from Bergen,	26 75
12. By do paid Elizabeth Rue for 6 months pension,	20 00
By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 months do.	112 50
17. By do paid Mary Winter for 1 years do.	40 00
22. By do paid conveying 1 prisoner from Essex county,	20 67
23. By do paid Lydia Wood for 6 months pension,	20 00
By do paid Lydia Westbrook for one years do.	240 00
By do paid Thos. Skillman for 3 mo. do.	10 00
By loan-office money cancelled & burnt,	41 33
25. By cash paid for two abandoned blacks of Somerset county,	58 70
27. By do paid for one inquisition Essex co.	12 54
<i>Dec.</i> 1. By do paid Jabez Parkhurst for reimbursement of sundry costs, per law passed this day,	250 16
By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Hunterdon county,	35 50
By do paid Kesiah Albertson for one years pension,	40 00
By do paid for abandoned blacks Somerset county,	888 60
Carried forward,	1912 62

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,*  
1898.

*Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

	To amount brought forward,	30,061 65
Oct. 25.	To cash received of Joseph V. Clark, sheriff of Gloucester,	69 95
	To do received of Cresse Townsend, sheriff of Cape-May.	73 63
	To do received of James J. Wilson for private laws,	27 00
	Carried forward,	<hr/> 30,232 23

## CONTRA.

Cr.

	Dolls.	Cts.
1807. By amount brought forward,	1912	62
Dec. 1. By cash paid Lydia Whitlock for nine months pension,	120	00
5. By do paid James J. Wilson for newspapers furnished the members of the legislature, per incidental bill,	12	46
By do paid do for printing done, per incidental bill,	214	00
By do paid do for engrossing during the sitting 516 sheets, at 8 cents per sheet, per incidental bill,	41	28
By do paid clerk of Assembly for his services,	112	14
By do paid commissioners of repairs for their services, per incidental bill,	32	56
By do paid the members of the legislature for their services during the sitting.	5455	35
By do paid John Bellerjeau, doorkeeper for council.	47	46
By do paid William Halsey, secretary to the commissioners for settling the boundary line between this state and the state of New-York, per inci. bill,	60	00
By do paid Gov. Bloomfield for repairs and postage, per incidental bill,	57	72
By do paid William Gould, doorkeeper of the Assembly,	30	51
By do paid do for cutting wood per incidental bill,	4	87
By do paid John Bellerjeau for cleaning house per incidental bill,	1	33
[By do paid David Wrighter, whilst doorkeeper for Assembly,	19	21
By do paid do for cutting wood, per incidental bill,	7	00
By do paid H. Vandolsem, clerk of Bergen county, per incidental bill,	17	00
By do paid for abandoned blacks Somerset county,	717	00

Carried forward,

8862 51

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward,	30,232	23
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Carried forward,	30,232	23
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## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1807.	By amount brought forward,	8862 51
Dec. 5.	By cash paid James Davis for attending as a witness, per incidental bill,	8 50
	By do paid Daniel Estell, for do service, per do.	8 50
	By do paid J. Steelman for do service, per do.	8 50
	By do paid John M <sup>c</sup> Carter, clerk of Mor- ris, per do.	12 50
8.	By do paid Daniel Ryall, per do.	2 00
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Salem county,	29 15
	By do paid for 3 inquisitions Sussex co.	49 62
	By do paid Eliett Howell for stationary, per incidental bill,	56 25
	By do paid A. Ogden, esq. for allow- ance of the commissioners expences, respecting the boundary line, per in- cidental bill,	241 50
	By do paid James Linn, esq. secretary of council,	112 14
	By do paid do for services, per inci. bill,	60 00
	By do paid John Sutterly, per do.	2 75
	By do paid Thomas Cain, per do.	2 50
	By do paid commissioners of repairs for a balance due them, per do.	51 23
14.	By do paid George Anderson for wood, per do.	72 00
18.	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Middlesex,	14 90
	By do paid Rebecca Dennis, for six months pension,	120 00
26.	By do paid Henry Pike per inci. bill,	2 74
	By do paid George Ely, per do.	2 50
	By do paid for 7 inquisitions Gloucester county,	89 19
Carried forward,		<hr/> 9308 98

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 30,232 23

Carried forward, 30,232 23

## CONTRA.

		Cr.
		Dolls. Cts.
1807.	By amount brought forward,	9808 98
	By a resolution of the legislature of Dec. 3, ordering \$9,205 14 transferred from the cr. of this account to the mili- tia account, which is accordingly done.	9205 14
20.	By cash paid Wm. Hancock, per inci.	
1808.	bill,	1 75
Jan. 2.	By do paid for abandoned blacks Somers- set county,	207 00
8.	By do paid Charles Gordon, per in. bill,	2 09
	By do paid Thomas Havens for three months pension,	10 00
	By do paid conveying 2 prisoners from Middlesex,	15 40
11.	By do paid Hugh Jones for 3 mo. pension,	10 00
	By do paid for 9 inquisitions Salem co.	109 19
	By do paid for abandoned blacks Essex co.	720 00
12.	By do paid Thomas Ingleton for convey- ing a prisoner,	1 50
	By do paid conveying one prisoner from Somerset county,	11 90
	By do paid John Sunderland for con- veying a prisoner,	1 50
18.	By do paid for 2 inquisitions in Sussex county,	21 41
	By do paid John Beatty, esq. late secre- tary for services,	42 00
19.	By do paid for 8 inquisitions in Bergen co.	116 08
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Ber- gen county,	2932 50
20.	By do paid for 4 inquisitions in Mon- mouth county,	56 74
23.	By do paid for 2 do in Middlesex co.	20 89
27.	By do paid for 4 do in Morris county,	48 95
	By do paid for 5 do in Essex county,	64 35
	Carried forward,	23,407 37
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*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 30,232 23

Carried forward, 30,232 23



## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1808.	By amount brought forward,	23,407	37
	By cash paid for conveying prisoners from Essex county,	28	40
28.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Mid- dlesex county,	288	00
	By do paid Thomas Skillman for three months pension,	10	00
	By do paid Mary M'Myer for 3 mo. do.	60	00
Feb. 8.	By do paid for one inquisition in Mon- mouth county,	13	71
15.	By do paid Elizabeth Rue for 4 months pension,	13	33
23.	By do paid for abandoned blacks Somers- et county,	132	16
24.	By do paid for 2 inquisitions Sussex co. By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Sussex county,	32	16
	By do paid Sarah Wood for 5 months pension,	36	00
	By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 months do.	16	66
	By do paid James Linn, esq. secretary of state, for issuing commissions,	112	50
26.	By do paid conveying prisoners from Sussex,	69	25
29.	By do paid Thomas Havens for three months pension,	48	50
	By do paid for one abandoned black in Somerset county,	10	00
	By do paid James J. Wilson for printing the laws,	36	00
	By do paid Shepard Kollock for printing the journals,	150	00
	By do paid Elizabeth Dugan for 5 mo. pension,	200	00
Mar. 14.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	16	67
		611	60

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 Carried forward, 25,292 31

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts

To amount brought forward, 30,232 23

Carried forward, 30,232 23

## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1808.	By amount brought forward,	25,292 31
15.	By cash paid conveying a prisoner from Middlesex,	14 90
	By do paid conveying one do from Salem county,	29 39
18.	By do paid for one inquisition in Middlesex county,	17 19
29.	By do paid Tuttle & Co. for printing the reports of adjudicated cases,	412 50
	By do paid Messrs Wilson & Halsey for printing the minutes of the last session,	287 50
	By do paid Lydia Whitlock for three months pension,	60 00
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Bergen,	37 17
April 2.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	74 60
4.	By do paid Hugh Jones for three months pension,	10 00
	By do paid Rachel Stivers for 3 mo. do.	20 00
15.	By cash paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	288 00
19.	By do paid for abandoned do. in Middlesex county,	83 60
	By do paid for carrying the laws, voter, &c. to the several counties,	63 00
21.	By do paid Mary M'Myer for three mo. pension,	60 00
	By do paid Thos. Skillman for 3 mo. do.	10 00
25.	By do paid for 4 inquisitions in Cumberland county,	55 41
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	387 00
27.	By do paid for abandoned do in Somerset county,	48 00

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 Carried forward, 27,250 57

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward,

30,232 23

Carried forward,

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30,232 23



## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1808.	By amount brought forward,	27,250	57
27.	By cash paid Elizabeth Rue for 2 months pension,	6	67
30.	By do paid Rebecca Dennis for 6 mo. do.	120	00
May 2.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	30	00
	By do paid for 1 inquisition in Middlesex county,	17	18
6.	By do paid John Russell for one years pension,	36	00
	By do paid freight of the bell for state-house,	1	50
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Hunterdon county,	72	00
	By do paid conveying prisoners from Salem county,	29	50
10.	By do paid conveying do from Burlington county,	5	00
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	615	00
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Monmouth,	31	30
12.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	640	25
	By do paid for do in Essex county,	255	00
	By do paid Mary Payne for 1 years pension,	32	00
	By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 mo. do	112	50
	By do paid for 2 inquisitions in Essex county,	25	85
14.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	163	10
	By do paid for abandoned do in Hunterdon connty,	225	00
17.	By do paid Gov. Bloomfield for 6 mo. salary,	900	00

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 Carried forward, 30,568 37

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,*      - *Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward,      30,232 23

Carried forward,      30,232 23

CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1802.

	By amount brought forward,	30,568	37
	By do paid Peter Gordon, treasurer, for 6 months do.	500	00
	By do paid judge Kirkpatrick for 6 mo. do.	500	00
	By do paid do for attending courts,	120	00
	By do paid judge Rossell for 6 months salary,	450	00
	By do paid do for attending courts,	120	00
	By do paid judge Pennington for 6 mo. salary,	450	00
	By do paid do for attending courts,	150	00
	By do paid do for one years salary as law reporter,	100	00
19.	By do paid for 2 inquisitions in Hunterdon county,	35	53
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Morris county,	396	00
	By do paid the members of council attending the court of appeal,	219	91
	By do paid John Bellerjeau, serjeant at arms,	20	17
	By do paid for one abandoned black in Hunterdon county,	36	00
26.	By do paid James Linn, esq. for attending court of appeal,	18	69
	By do paid do for 6 mo salary as auditor,	25	00
	By do paid A. D. Woodruff, attorney-general, for 6 mo. salary,	40	00
	By do paid for abandoned blacks Somerset county,	28	65
June 3.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	72	00
	By do paid for abandoned do in Hunterdon county,	108	00
	By do paid for do in Middlesex county,	108	00
	Carried forward,	34,064	32
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*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 30,232 23

Carried forward, 30,232 23



## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1308.	By amount brought forward,	34,064	32
June 3.	By cash paid John Bellerjeau, serjeant at arms, for attending court of chancery,		7 00
	By do paid Unice Platt, for 9 months pension,		30 00
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	680	00
	By do paid for do in Morris county,	36	00
	By do paid George Sherman for printing per incidental bill,	12	46
	By do paid do Sherman, for advertising loan-office money,	1	20
17.	By do paid for 5 inquisitions in Cumberland county,	62	19
	By do paid conveying 1 prisoner from Gloucester county,	31	40
21.	By do paid Thomas Havens for three months pension,	10	00
	By do paid for one inquisition in Middlesex county,	14	02
	By do paid conveying 1 prisoner from Salem county,	27	08
	By do paid for conveying 1 do from Middlesex county,	13	90
25.	By cash paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	39	00
July 1.	By do paid for abandoned do in Morris,	76	50
16.	By do paid Hugh Jones for three months pension,	10	00
23.	By do paid Mary M <sup>c</sup> Myers for 3 mo. do.	60	00
	By do paid Thos. Skillman for 3 mo. do.	10	00
	By do paid Lydia Whitlock for six months pension,	80	00
30.	By do paid for 1 inquisition in Salem co.	15	23
Aug. 9.	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Sussex co.	33	99
Carried forward,		35,314	24

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 30,232 23

Carried forward, 30,232 23

## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1807.	By amount brought forward,	35,314 24
Aug. 9.	By cash paid for 1 abandoned black in Middlesex county,	40 00
12.	By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 mo. pension,	112 50
20.	By do paid for 2 inquisitions in Middlesex county,	26 20
30.	By do paid Elizabeth Rue for 4 months pension,	13 33
Sept. 5.	By do paid Abigail Thompson for one years do.	40 00
7.	By do paid for 1 inquisition in Monmouth county,	13 18
	By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Essex,	29 45
	By do paid for 1 abandoned do in Somerset county,	36 00
12.	By do paid judge Pennington for attending court of chancery,	20 00
20.	By do paid Sarah Wood for 7 months pension,	23 33
26.	By do paid John Bellerjeau, serjeant at arms for attending the court of chancery,	9 00
28.	By do paid Thomas Havens for 3 mo. pension,	10 00
	By do paid Thomas Crane for attending the court of chancery as serj't at arms,	10 00
	By cash paid for conveying a prisoner from Essex county,	20 17
Oct. 1.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Monmouth county,	108 00
7.	By do paid for 13 inquisitions in Burlington county,	171 45
12.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	70 00
17.	By do paid Mary M'Myer for three mo. pension,	60 00
Carried forward,		<hr/> 36,126 85

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward,

30,232 23

Carried forward,

30,232 23



## CONTRA.

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Dolls. Cts.

1808.	By amount brought forward,	36,126 85
Oct. 25.	By cash paid for 2 inquisitions in Cape- May county,	28 30
	By do paid for 3 do in Middlesex co.	44 68
	By do paid conveying prisoners from Monmouth,	11 90
	By do paid conveying one do from Gloucester county,	17 47
27.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	710 00
29.	By do paid Rebecca Dennis for 6 mo. do.	120 00
	By do paid James J. Wilson for copying and recording the minutes of last sitting,	63 30
	By do paid Gov. Bloomfield for 6 mo. salary,	900 00
	By do paid P. Gordon, treasurer, for 6 mo. do.	500 00
	By do paid A. D. Woodruff, attorney- general, for 6 mo. do.	40 00
	By do paid judge Kirkpatrick for 6 mo. do.	500 00
	By do paid do for attending courts,	90 00
	By do paid Judge Rossell for 6 mo. salary,	450 00
	By do paid do for attending courts,	240 00
	By do paid Judge Pennington for 6 mo. salary,	450 00
	By do paid do for attending courts,	90 00
	By do paid do. as law reporter for 6 mo. salary,	50 00

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 Carried forward, 40,434 50

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 30,232 23

Balance, 10,202 27

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\$ 40,434 50

## CONTRA.

Cts

Dolls. Cts

1807. By amount brought forward, 40,434 50

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By balance in favor of the treasurer per above,  
which is carried to his account current, 10,202 27

Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

*November 14th, 1808.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to settle the treasurer's accounts, have examined the above account and the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 1 to No. 267, inclusive, and find the same accurately stated.

BENJ. LUDLOW,  
WM. COLFAX,  
NATHAN SQUIER,  
JOHN COX,

CALEB EARL,  
GEORGE BOICE,  
JONATHAN MOORE.

N. B. Amount paid for abandoned blacks in the above account—viz.

Hunterdon county,	476 50
Somerset county,	3407 27
Essex county,	1004 45
Bergen county,	4867 75
Middlesex county,	1751 30
Sussex county,	36 00
Morris county,	508 50
Monmouth county,	108 00

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\$ 12,159 77 . .

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*Dr. State-Prison account, for receipts and disbursements*  
1807.

Dolls. Cts.

<i>Nov. 22.</i>	To paid H. Bellerjeau, keeper for purchasing materials,	500 00
30.	To paid Robert M'Neely, for leather,	500 00
<i>Dec. 10.</i>	To paid Henry Bellerjeau, keeper, for purchasing iron,	1500 00
<i>Jan. 2.</i>	To paid H. Bellerjeau and assistants for 1 quarters salary,	493 75
12.	To paid the inspectors for 1 years services,	133 00
<i>Feb. 5.</i>	To paid H. Bellerjeau, keeper for purchasing iron,	1000 00
<i>Mar. 21.</i>	To paid Wright & Potts for leather,	350 00
23.	To paid Gen. Cox, for a balance due his son whilst clerk,	57 20
	To paid H. Bellerjeau, keeper, for purchasing iron,	1200 00
<i>April 2.</i>	To paid H. Bellerjeau and assistants for for 1 quarters salary,	553 30
<i>May 2.</i>	To paid H. Bellerjeau for purchasing iron,	600 00
14.	To paid Dr Agnew, attending physician for 1 quarters salary,	15 00
<i>July 1.</i>	To paid H. Bellerjeau, keeper for purchasing iron,	1300 00
12.	To paid H. Bellerjeau and assistants, including the doctor, for 1 qrs. salary,	600 00
<i>Aug. 12.</i>	To paid Thomas P. Johnson, esquire, on account of costs of prosecution,	284 48
31.	To paid H. Bellerjeau, keeper for purchasing iron,	1300 00
<i>Oct. 1.</i>	To paid H. Bellerjeau and assistants, including the doctor, for 1 qrs. salary,	600 00

\$ 10,986 73

*Nov. 1.* To balance per above, which is carried to the credit of the treasurers account current, and also to the state-prison account current,

2486 73

Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*



<i>from Nov. 1, 1807, to Nov. 1, 1808, CONTRA.</i>		<i>Cr.</i>
		Dolls. Cts.
1807.		
Nov. 4.	By cash received of of H. Bellerjeau,	
1808.	keeper,	700 00
April 15.	By do received of do.	1800 00
May 17.	By do received of do.	800 00
June 13.	By do received of do.	1100 00
23.	By do received of do.	1200 00
Aug. 27.	By do received of do.	300 00
Sept. 9.	By do received of do.	500 000
30.	By do received of do.	2100 00
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		8500 00
	Balance,	2486 73
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		\$ 10,986 73
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*November 14th, 1808.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the foregoing account with the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 1 to No. 46, inclusive, and believe the same justly stated.

BENJ. LUDLOW,	CALEB EARL,
WILLIAM COLFAX,	GEORGE BOICE,
NATHAN SQUIER,	JONATHAN MOORE.
JOHN COX.	

*Dr. The Militia Account,**Being for receipts and disbursements from November 1, 1807*  
1807.

Dolls. Cts.

<i>Nov.</i> 2.	To cash paid Jos. Demund for services,	5 00
	To do paid inaj. M <sup>c</sup> Fadden, inspector of Bergen brigade for the present years salary,	30 00
	To do paid maj. Kerr, inspector of Sus- sex brigade for the present years salary,	30 00
27.	To do for a suit of regimentals for a drummer of Sussex,	25 50
30.	To do paid Gen. Cox, for his expences to Toms river after cannon,	20 00
<i>Dec.</i> 8.	To do paid the brigade paymaster of So- merset for a balance due him,	291 00
	To do paid for music for the Somerset brigade,	145 00
28.	To do paid for do for Hunterdon brigade,	18 00
1808.		
<i>Jan.</i> 8.	To do paid P. Hunt, adjutant-general, for 1 years salary,	50 00
	To do paid for sundry disbursements by Thomas Anderson, dec. late collector of Sussex county,	74 74
	To do paid Daniel Stewart, collector of Sussex, for disbursements,	178 42
20.	To do paid Abraham Staats, collector of Somerset, for 1 captains return,	1 00
27.	To do paid teaching music Monmouth brigade,	24 00
28.	To do paid P. Hunt, adjutant-general, for postage,	25 24
<i>Feb.</i> 26.	To do paid maj. Whitlock, inspector of Essex brigade, for his salary for 1807,	30 00
	To do paid for a suit of regimentals for boy belonging to Monmouth militia,	16 00
<i>May</i> 7.	To do paid P. Hunt, adjutant general for postage,	13 72

Carried forward,

## CONTRA.

Cr.

to November 1, 1803.

1803.

Dolls. Cts.

<i>Jan.</i> 8	By cash received of the paymaster of Hunterdon brigade for militia fines recovered,	100 00
	By a transfer from the state account per resolution of the legislature of December 3, last,	9205 14
<i>April</i> 25.	By cash received of Jeremiah Buck, collector of Cumberland, for fines,	130 25
<i>Sept.</i> 14.	By do received of maj. Ellis, paymaster of Burlington brigade,	525 24
20.	By do received of maj. Ray, paymaster of Salem brigade,	436 27
Carried forward,		<hr/> 10,396 90

*Dr. The Militia Account,**continued.*  
Dolls. Cts.

1808.	To amount brought forward,	
June 22.	To cash paid maj. Andrews, inspector of Monmouth brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
	To do paid maj. Wilkins, inspector of Gloucester brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
July 1.	To do paid maj. Kerr, inspector of Sussex brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
	To do paid maj. M'Kissack, inspector, of Somerset brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
Aug. 13.	To do paid maj. Holcombe inspector of Hunterdon brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
	To do paid P. Hunt, adjutant-general, for postage and stationary,	25 61
Sept. 12.	To do paid maj. Freeman, inspector of Middlesex brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
21.	To do paid maj. Doughty, inspector of Morris brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
26.	To do paid Major Boyd, inspector of Bergen brigade, for the present years salary,	30 00
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	Balance,	9153 67
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		\$ 10396 90

*November 14th, 1808.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to militia account with the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from

BENJ. LUDLOW,      NATHAN SQUIER,  
WILLIAM COLFAX,    JOHN COX,



## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts

1808.	By amount brought forward,	10,396 90
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By balance in favor of this account for the year past, which is carried to the cr. of the militia account current, and also to the dr. of the treasurers account current,	9153 67
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Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the foregoing  
No. 1, to No. 26 inclusive, and believe it justly stated.

CALEB EARL,  
GEORGE BOICE.

JONATHAN MOORE,

*Dr. The Militia Account,*

*continued.*

*November 14th, 1808.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to  
litia account current, and find the same justly stated.

BENJ. LUDLOW,      NATHAN SQUIER,  
WILLIAM COLFAX,    JOHN COX,

## CONTRA.

Gr.

Dolls. Cts.

By balance in favor of this account under the old law, per account rendered Nov. 1, 1807,	614 54
By do in favor of this account under the present law, per account rendered November 1, 1807.	1027 82
By do in favor of this account, per receipts and disbursements from Nov. 1, 1807, to Nov. 1, 1808, per account,	9153 67

Total military fund,	<u>10,796 03</u>
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Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the above mi-

CALEB EARL,  
GEORGE BOICE,

JONATHAN MOORE,

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*Dr. The State-Prison Account current.*

	Dolls.	Cts.
To balance due from said institution per account rendered November 1804,	3179	33
To do due from do institution, per account rendered November 1805,	2856	95
To do due from do institution per account rendered November 1806,	2607	29
To do due from do per account rendered November 1807,	1884	65
To do due from do per account rendered November 1808.	2486	73
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Total amount for 5 years,	13,015	00
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Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.**November 14th, 1808.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to settle the treasurer's accounts have examined the above account and find it justly stated.

BENJ. LUDLOW,  
WILLIAM COLFAX,  
NATHAN SQUIER,  
JOHN COX,

CALEB EARL,  
GEORGE BOICE,  
JONATHAN MOORE.



CONTRA.

Cr.

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer, in account current with the*  
 1808. Dolls. Cts.

Nov. 1. To balance in the hands of the treasurer per account rendered November 1, 1807,	21,755 83
To balance in favor of the militia account per account herewith stated,	9153 67
	30,909 50

Nov. 1. To balance remaining in the hands of the treasurer per above,	18,220 50
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Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

*November 14th, 1808.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to  
the vouchers relative thereto, do find a balance remaining in  
and twenty dollars and fifty cents, agreeable to the above

BENJ. LUDLOW,	NATHAN SQUIER,
WILLIAM COLFAX,	JOHN COX,

*state of New-Jersey,*  
1808.

CONTRA,

Gr.  
Dolls. Cts.

Nov. 1. By balance in favor of the treasurer on the state account herewith rendered,	10,202	27
By balance in favor of the treasurer from the receipts and disbursements per state-prison account,	2486	73
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	12,689	00
Balance,	18,220	50
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	\$ 30,909	50
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settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the same, with  
the hands of the treasurer of eighteen thousand two hundred  
statement.

CALEB EARL,  
GEORGE BOICE,

JONATHAN MOORE.

Mr Stryker, from the committee on military affairs, reported a bill entitled An act extending the bounds prescribed by law for training the first battalion 3d regiment, Essex brigade, which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act to incorporate a part of the township of Trenton in the county of Hunterdon, was read a second time, and after some time employed thereon, the said bill was committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Wright and Williams.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike company, was considered by section, and postponed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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THURSDAY, *November 17, 1808.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Glover, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for the constituting and appointing a trustee to execute and fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of John Wild, deceased ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Stryker, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of the county of Essex, praying the benefit of a lottery to enable them to finish a school-house at Camptown in said county, reported,

That they conceive a disposition of this house has been sufficiently manifested against lotteries for local benefits. They therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill granting a state lottery to promote literature generally, and that the sum obtained by such lottery be equally distributed among the different counties of this state, to be applied exclusively to that purpose.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.



A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council recede from their amendments to the bill entitled An act to procure field artillery, to alter the day of the annual meeting of the board of general and field officers, and the regimental muster in the Cumberland brigade.

Mr Vanduyn, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to appoint trustees to sell and convey certain parts of the real estate whereof James Dunham died seized, in the county of Middlesex; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Squier presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the township of Rahway in the county of Essex, similar to those presented yesterday concerning public docks and landing places; which petition was read and referred to the committee on the former petitions.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of woodland therein named, to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,

Messrs Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
 Dod,  
 Garrison,  
 Glover,  
 J. Hankinson,  
 H. Hankinson,  
 Irick,

Messrs Kennedy,  
 Kerr,  
 Moore,  
 Neighbour,  
 Stout,  
 Vansyckel.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate a company to extend the Paterson and Hamburgh turnpike road to the Hudson river, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate societies for the promotion of American Manufactures, was read a second time, and after some discussion, postponed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act directing the time and mode of electing electors of the president and vice-president of the United States, and representatives in congress on the part of this state without amendment.

The report of the committee of this morning on the subject of lotteries, was called up and agreed to, whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the committee who made this report be instructed to bring in a bill agreeably thereto.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that this house are ready to go into a joint-meeting for the choice of electors of president and vice-president of the United States, and a treasurer of this state; and request council to appoint the time and place of said meeting.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed a bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Daniel Fielding,

ate of the county of Bergen, deceased, to which they request the concurrence of this house ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act for the dividing the several tracts of land situate in the counties of Sussex and Morris, commonly known by the name of the Andover furnace and forge tract, agreeably to shares held by the original coparceners, joint tenants and tenants in common ; also, for the dividing of all that tract of land, marsh, swamp and cripple, situate in the township of Maurice-river, in the county of Cumberland, and known by the name of Devall's island, among the several persons interested in the same, agreeably to their respective shares, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Parker, and Moore.

The report of the committee on the treasurer's accounts, was called up, read a second time and agreed to.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

Mr Vanduyn, from the committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry persons in the county of Bergen praying a law to be passed to amend the act now in force in this state, concerning inns and taverns so far as it respects the granting of licences, reported,

That in their opinion no alteration in the said act is necessary on that subject.

Which report was read and postponed.

Mr Garrison, from the committee appointed on the memorial and representation from the county of Gloucester, respecting the election in that county for representatives in the council and assembly, reported,

That respecting the election in the township of Galloway no evidence was offered but affidavits taken ex parte, which, by the decision of the house, as well as by the principles of justice and propriety were excluded from being received. That no testimony whatever was offered relative to any illegality or impropriety in the manner of conducting the election in any other township.

The committee therefore submit the following resolution to the house,—

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this house, the election of the sitting members is legal and valid.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have disagreed to the bill from this house entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled An act constituting courts for the trial of small causes,

On motion of Mr Post,

*Ordered*, That the bill entitled An act to incorporate a company to extend the Paterson and Hamburg turnpike road to the Hudson river, be dismissed.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled an act concerning inns and taverns, passed the 24th day of February, 1797; and having considered the same by section,

*Ordered*, That said bill be engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting to-morrow afternoon at four o'clock, in the assembly-room, for the purpose of choosing electors of president and vice-president of the United States, and a treasurer of this state; also that council adhere to their first amendment to the bill from this house entitled An act relative to the secretary's office, and directing certain duties to be performed by the register of the prerogative court.

Mr W. Coxe, from the committee on the bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act to incorporate a part of the township of Trenton in the county of Hunterdon, reported the same with sundry amendments; which bill as amended was read, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the county of Sussex, was read a third time and compared.



On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,

Messrs Pearson,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

### NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
H. Hankinson,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed A supplement to an act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters, passed the 24th day of January 1798; to which bill they request the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr W. Coxe, from the committee on the bill relative to the division of certain real estate in the counties of Sussex and Morris and the county of Cumberland, reported the same under the title of An act for the division of the Ando-

ver furnace and forge tracts in the counties of Morris and Sussex ; and for the division of Devall's island in the county of Cumberland, with sundry amendments ; which bill as reported was read, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act extending the bounds prescribed by law for training the first battalion 3d regiment, Essex brigade, was considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Dod moved the following preamble and resolution ; which were read and ordered to lie on the table :—

Whereas the essential rights and privileges of the people, as well as the permanency of every free Republican Government, are intimately connected with and best secured by enlightening the public mind, and diffusing useful information through the great mass of the community ; and whereas a very considerable portion of the inhabitants of this state, from local circumstances and scanty means, are unable to instruct their children in the first rudiments of knowledge, whereby many persons of good natural endowments, are in a great measure lost to society, therefore,

*Resolved*, That it is expedient and necessary that a permanent system of education be provided at the expence of the state, for the purpose of extending to every individual of the community the means of obtaining an English education ; and that a committee of        members be appointed to digest and report a plan for carrying this resolution into effect.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike company was called up and postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

The report of the committee on the Gloucester election, which report declared the election of the sitting members legal and valid, was called up, read a second time, and unanimously agreed to.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, *November 18, 1803.*

Ten o'clock—the house met.

Mr Irick moved the following resolution :—

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire if any and what alterations are necessary in the law for the gradual abolition of slavery ; and that the committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Which resolution was read and agreed to by the house ; and Messrs Kerr, Irick and Vanduyn appointed a committee for the purpose therein specified.

Mr Stryker, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for the encouragement of literature ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading and meantime to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act extending the bounds prescribed by law for training the first battalion third regiment, Essex brigade, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,

Boice,

J. Cox,

W. Coxe,

Day,

Dod,

Doughty,

Dubois,

Earl,

Garrison,

Glover,

Gordon,

J. Hankinson,

H. Hankinson,

Hopper,

Irick,

Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,

Moore,

Neighbour,

Parker,

Pearson,

Post,

Simpson,

Squier,

Stout,

Stryker,

Vanduyn,

Voorhees,

Whitehead,

Wilson,

Wright,

Zabriskie.

NAYS.

Mr Rulon,

Mr Vansyckel.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act concerning inns and taverns, passed the 24th day of February 1797, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the negative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Garrison,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Kerr,  
Moore,  
Pearson,

Messrs Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Wright.

### NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,

Messrs Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Post,  
Stout,  
Voorhees,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

*Ordered,* That said bill and petitions relative thereto, be dismissed.

Mr Stryker presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of the county of Somerset, praying a law to authorize them to raise by lottery a sum of money sufficient to enable them to turnpike the road from Kingston to New-Brunswick, to be travelled toll-free ; which petitions were read and leave given the petitioners to withdraw their petitions.



The bill entitled An act to incorporate the West-Jersey turnpike company, was called up, read a second time, and after considerable discussion thereon,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration of said bill be postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

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Mr Dod, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to discourage the keeping of dogs; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate societies for the promotion of American Manufactures, was gone through by section, and committed, for the purpose of introducing an additional section, to Messrs Bateman, Simpson and Dod.

Mr Basset moved the following resolution—

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to examine the fourth section of an act passed the 3d day of December, 1807, entitled An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the county of Monmouth, and report a bill to repeal the said section or otherwise as they may think most expedient.

Which resolution was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Council came into the assembly-room, and the two houses went into joint-meeting; after which the house proceeded to business.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled An act respecting forfeited estates, and the bill entitled An act for appointing trustees for the sale of a tract of land, situate in the county of Hunterdon, late the property of John Busenberger, deceased, and for disposing of the money arising from the sale agreeably to the will of the deceased; severally without amendment; also

that council have disagreed to the bill from this house entitled An act to alter the times of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery, in the county of Essex, to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October ; likewise, that council have passed a bill entitled An act concerning part of a public road in the township of Hackinsack, in the county of Bergen, laid by commissioners, and a bill entitled An act for securing the laws, and relative to the office of the prerogative court ; to which bills they request the concurrence of this house.

Which bills were respectively read, and ordered second readings.

The petition of Susan M'Mahon was called up, and, together with the documents relative thereto, read and committed to Messrs Whitehead, Earl and Dubois.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to incorporate the West-Jersey turnpike company.

A motion was made and seconded to postpone the said bill to the next sitting of the legislature.

On the question, Shall this bill be so postponed ?

The yeas and nays were called for, and were as follow :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,

Boice,

J. Cox;

Dod,

Doughty,

Dubois,

Garrison,

Glover,

Gordon,

J. Hankinson,

Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,

Neighbour,

Rulon,

Squier,

Stout,

Vansyckel,

Voorhees,

Whitehead;

Wilson,

Wright.

## NAYS.

Messrs Basset,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Parker,  
Pearson,

Messrs Post,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

So the said bill was ordered to be postponed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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SATURDAY, *November 19, 1808.*

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

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The bill from council entitled *A supplement to An act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters* passed the 24th day of January, 1798; was read a second time, and ordered to be printed for the use of the members.

Mr Kennedy offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to draft a bill for the purpose of establishing a state bank, the bills thereof to be founded on the credit of the state and the profits arising therefrom to be applied to the uses and purposes thereof.

Which resolution was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill entitled *An act for the division of the Andover furnace and forge tracts in the counties of Morris and Sussex; and for the division of Devall's island in the county of Cumberland*, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

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The engrossed bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act to incorporate a part of the township of Trenton in the county of Hunterdon, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,

Messrs Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Pearson,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willets,  
Wright.

### NAYS.

Messrs Parker,  
Post,  
Vanduyt,

Messrs Whitehead,  
Zabriskie.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike road from Aquaknonk landing in Essex, to the Belleville turnpike road at the gate thereof, near Schuyler's mine in the township of New-Barbadoes, Bergen county, was taken up, gone through by section, and ordered to be engrossed.



Mr H. Hankinson offered the following resolution—

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of selling the government-house, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Which resolution was read and agreed to by the house, and Messrs Van Duyn, H. Hankinson and Glover appointed accordingly.

On motion of Mr Simpson, the committee were instructed so to report the bill that the treasurer of the state should be authorized to subscribe in behalf of the state fifteen thousand dollars to the stock of the Trenton bank.

Mr Bateman from the committee on the bill entitled An act to incorporate societies for the promotion of American Manufactures, reported the same with a new section, which bill as reported was gone through, and ordered to be referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

Mr Squier presented a petition from Thomas Hawkins, confined in Essex jail for debt, praying relief; which petition was read, and referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

Mr Wright, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Heyer, praying for a law to enable him to build up, make and repair the oil mill dam across the Assanpink creek, near the mouth thereof, in the city of Trenton; and the petition and remonstrance of Gideon H. Wells against the same, reported, that the committee having heard the petitioners for and against said application, are unanimously of opinion that any interference of the legislature would be highly improper.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Dod presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Morris county, praying that the practice of usury may be made an indictable offence; which petition was read and committed to Messrs Neighbour, Kerr and Rulon, with leave to report by bill.

The resolution offered by Mr Dod, relative to a general and permanent system of education, was called up, and referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, *November 21, 1808.*

Ten o'clock—the House met.

Mr Wilson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to regulate public landings and wharves in this state ; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The speaker presented to the house the bond entered into by the treasurer of the state, and his sureties ; which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wilson presented two petitions from inhabitants of the township of Warren, praying an alteration in the boundary line between the counties of Somerset and Essex ; which petitions were read and ordered to lie on the table, together with a resolution offered by Mr Wilson on the subject.

Mr Parker from the committee on the memorial of the Jersey company, made the following report ;

That the legislature of the state of New-York by an act passed the 6th April 1808, entitled “ An act relating to the jurisdiction of this state over the territory mentioned therein,” have asserted the exclusive jurisdiction of the state of New-York over the whole extent of the Hudson river and the bay between Staten-Island and Long-Island, and by the said act “ enacted, That if any person shall within the said territory oppose, disturb or hinder any public officer of that state in the execution of his office, or do any other act as under the authority of the state of New-Jersey, or by color or pretext that the place where such act was done was not within the jurisdiction of that state, any person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a high crime and misdemeanor against that state and shall on conviction be punished by fine and imprisonment or both in the discretion of the court before whom the conviction shall be had.”

That by the said act the powers of the commissioners theretofore appointed by and on the part of the state of New-York, to meet and negotiate with commissioners appointed by and on the part of this state for the purpose of settling

the line of jurisdiction between the two states are extended in point of time to the first day of January next—but upon the proviso, “that it shall be expressly provided in the agreement if any which may be made between the said commissioners and the commissioners on the part of the state of New-Jersey, that nothing in such agreement contained shall be construed to enable or authorize the United States to make or establish a port or ports on or within the said river Hudson or the said bay between Staten-Island and Long or Nassau Island, otherwise than as within the limits or territory of that state.”

That the prospect of an amicable and fair settlement of the line of jurisdiction between the two states is thus wholly precluded.

That the establishing of seaport-towns in this state is a measure of great importance and essential to the interest and prosperity of the citizens of New-Jersey and ought to be aided and encouraged by the legislature—

Your committee therefore submit the following resolutions—

1. *Resolved*, That the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States be instructed to use their endeavors in favor of the application made to congress to have the town of Jersey erected into a port of entry with the usual privileges.

2. *Resolved*, That the governor of this state be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolutions to each of the senators and representatives of this state, in the congress of the United States.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Voorhees, from the committee appointed for that purpose, reported a bill entitled An act to raise the sum of

dollars for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nine ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Kerr, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed the 15th day of Februa-



ry, 1804 ; which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

. The speaker presented to the house the following letter from the treasurer of this state on the subject of unsettled accounts in his office ; which letter was read and ordered a second reading.

*To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New-Jersey, in session,*

GENTLEMEN,

Sickness in your treasurer's family has been the principal cause of some report on the unsettled debts not being handed forward ere this, and prays to be excused.

Your treasurer informs the legislature that with the assistance of Mr Woodruff, the Attorney-General, he selected and drew out about twenty accounts of the old unsettled demands against sheriffs, and put them into the hands of the attorney general for prosecution, process I believe has been issued either against the sheriffs or their sureties—but on enquiry and investigation the attorney-general informs, but very little can be expected from those debts, and believes great part of those accounts remaining not closed, is owing to the neglect of the sheriffs in not handing forward the clearances granted by the courts, &c. However, some monies have been recovered—and no doubt some more will be recovered—and some accounts settled, where considerable appeared due, but on settlement, when they produced the clearances in one instance a balance was due the sheriff. Your treasurer will however use his exertions to have as many brought to settlement as possible.

With respect to the arrearages from the counties of Sussex and Monmouth, no monies have been received for the year past.

With respect to the demands against the sheriffs since your present treasurer has been in office, there is but few delinquents, and several of those have been prosecuted. Your treasurer has notified chiefly all the delinquents what they may expect unless their accounts are shortly closed, and trusts it will have the desired effect ;—but if not, process will in a little time be issued.



With respect to returns from the clerks of the several counties, your treasurer must give them credit for punctuality—although in some few instances not altogether correct. All which is submitted.

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

*November 19, 1808.*

Mr Vanduyn, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for the sale of the government house and lot in the city of Trenton; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

The bill to discourage the keeping of dogs, was called up, and dismissed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council have passed the bill entitled An act to enforce the collection of arrearages of taxes due from the county of Sussex; the bill entitled An act to authorize the owners and possessors of a certain tract of woodland therein named to prevent horses, cattle and sheep from running at large therein; and the bill entitled An act extending the bounds prescribed by law for training the first battalion third regiment, Essex brigade; severally, without amendment; also, that council have passed a bill entitled An act authorizing the sale of the real estate of Judith Harris, of the county of Cumberland deceased, and so much of the estate of James Harris deceased as belongs to the heirs of Pearson Harris deceased, and a bill entitled An act to ascertain and define the boundary lines of the several streets in the town plat of Newark, in the county of Essex, and for preventing encroachments upon the same; to which bills they request the concurrence of this house.

Which bills were respectively read, and ordered second readings.

The bill from council entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Daniel Fielding, late of the county of Bergen, deceased, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

Mr Dod, from the committee on that subject, made the following report:

"We the committees of council and assembly, appointed to examine the accounts of the state-prison, report,

That we have examined the said accounts, and the vouchers accompanying the same, and find that the state has sustained a loss to the amount of \$ 1126 42 by the operations of the institution for the year ending the 1st of October last, and that the stock on hand to begin the present year with, amounts to \$ 25,130 38 ; as will appear by the general statement hereto annexed—

We further report, that the property of the state, at the disposal of the inspectors, consists of,

Debts due for goods sold &c. (see statements No. 1, &c.)	12.343 75
Debts due from prisoners, (see No. 2)	2.904 15
Stock and goods manufactured (No. 3)	10.400 74
Standing stock, consisting of sundry tools and machinery, beds and bedding, kitchen furniture, &c. (No 4)	2.944 24
Cash	280 48

The number of convicts now in the prison is

Natives of America,	53
of Ireland,	10
of England,	3

Whole number, 66

Of which number there are

White men,	45
White women,	1
Free black men,	10
Free black women,	3
Men slaves,	5
Women slaves,	2

For their names, crimes, sentences, &c. we beg leave to refer to the rolls marked A and B.

We have not discovered, that the keeper has, in any instance, undertaken to mitigate the punishment of convicts, except by the express order of the inspectors ; or that they

have ever given such order, but in cases where the sentences were to solitary imprisonment; and in these cases they have found it absolutely necessary, in order to preserve the lives of the prisoners; and for which the inspectors conceive themselves authorized by the third section of the act of last session, entitled *An act further supplement to the act entitled An act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes.*

After consulting the inspectors and keeper of the prison, respecting the laws relative to the institution, and carefully examining the same, we are of opinion that no alteration is necessary.

GEORGE ANDERSON.  
STEPHEN DOD,  
MOSES STOUT,  
JOHN HOPPER,  
DAVID GORDON,  
JOSHUA WRIGHT.

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from council entitled *An act concerning part of a public road in the township of Hackinsack in the county of Bergen* laid by commissioners, was read a second time, and disagreed to.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill is disagreed to by this house.

The report of the committee on the subject of an alteration in the mode of granting tavern licences, which report was against any alteration being made, was called up, and agreed to.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

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Mr W. Coxe, with leave, presented a bill entitled *An act to incorporate the Burlington turnpike company*: which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house, entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act to incorporate a part of the township of Trenton in the county of Hunterdon ; with an amendment ; to which amendment they request the concurrence of this house.

Which amendment was read and agreed to by the house, and the bill as amended ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to appoint trustees to sell and convey certain parts of the real estate whereof James Dunham died seized in the county of Middlesex, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Montgomery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the village of Allentown, praying that some penalty may be imposed upon the owners of hogs found running at large in highways streets and commons without ringing ; which petition was read and referred to next sitting.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Woodbridge turnpike company, in the county of Middlesex, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Bassett,  
Bateman,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Irick,

Messrs Montgomery,  
Moore,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Voorhees,  
Willets,  
Zabriskie.



## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Dod,  
Garrison,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Neighbour,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The bond given by the treasurer and his sureties, was called up, approved, and ordered to be carried to council for their approbation.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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TUESDAY, *November 22*, 1808.

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Ten o'clock—the house met.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike road from Aquaknonk landing in Essex, to the Belleville turnpike road at the gate thereof, near Schuyler's mine in the township of New-Barbadoes, Bergen county, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:—

## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dubois,

Messrs Earl,  
Gordon,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,

## YEAS.

Messrs Montgomery,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,

Messrs Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Rulon,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wright.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to appoint trustees to sell and convey certain parts of the real estate, whereof James Dunham died seized in the county of Middlesex, was read a third time and compared,

On the question Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act to incorporate a part of the township of Trenton in the county of Hunterdon, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,

Messrs Boice,  
J. Cox,

## YEAS,

Messrs W. Coxe,  
 Day,  
 Dod,  
 Doughty,  
 Dubois,  
 Earl,  
 Garrison,  
 Glover,  
 Gordon,  
 J. Hankinson,  
 H. Hankinson,  
 Hopper,  
 Irick,  
 Kerr,  
 Montgomery,

Messrs Moore,  
 Neighbour,  
 Pearson,  
 Post,  
 Rulon,  
 Simpson,  
 Squier,  
 Stout,  
 Stryker,  
 Vansyckel,  
 Wilson,  
 Williams,  
 Willits,  
 Wright.

## NAYS.

Messrs Parker,  
 Vanduyn,

Messrs Whitehead,  
 Zabriskie.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendment made thereto by council has been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed A bill entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes ; to which bill they request the concurrence of this house ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Burlington turnpike company, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill from council entitled An act authorizing the sale of the real estate of Judith Harris, of the county of Cumberland deceased, and so much of the estate of James Harris deceased as belongs to the heirs of Pierson Harris deceased,

was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

Mr Williams presented a petition from Abiel Akin, confined in Monmouth jail for debt, praying relief; which petition was read, and committed to Messrs Montgomery, Basset and Irick, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act for the sale of the government house and lot in the city of Trenton was read a second time and postponed to the next session of the legislature.

The bill from council entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Daniel Fielding, late of the county of Bergen, deceased, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

The bill from council entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters, passed the 24th day of January 1798, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs Williams, Pearson and Parker.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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Mr Stryker from the military committee, made the following report:

The military committee beg leave to report, That as they have not been instructed by the house to enquire whether any and if any what alterations were necessary in the "act for establishing and conducting the military force of New-Jersey," they have not conceived themselves authorized to make any radical change in the provisions of that system. But your committee feel it a duty they owe to the public and especially to themselves to declare that they believe that part of said act which regulates the detailing and calling into ac-



tual service any requisition from the militia of this state, will be found on trial wholly inadequate, and of consequence in time of emergency (if such should unfortunately be witnessed) we shall have officers in the field destitute of their respective commands. And they have omitted to ask for suitable instructions under a two-fold impression, 1st, That congress at their present session would revise the militia system of the United States. 2d, That the minds of the members of this house, were not prepared to embrace a militia-system, which (in the opinion of your committee) would be efficient.

By order of the committee,

PETER I. STRYKER.

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Council came into the assembly-room, and the two houses went into joint meeting; after which the speaker resumed the chair, and

The house adjourned to nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, *November 23*, 1808.

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Nine o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Williams from the committee on the bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters, passed the 24th day of January 1793, reported the same with amendments; which amendments were read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Parker presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the counties of Middlesex and Essex, praying for a law more effectually to prevent the depredations committed on sheep by dogs; which petition was read and referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

Mr Squier presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Essex, for a law to authorize justices of the peace to take acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments of writing; which petition was read and referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

Council came into the assembly-room, and the two houses went into joint-meeting; after which the speaker resumed the chair, and

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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The bill from council entitled An act for securing the laws, and relative to the office of the prerogative court, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

Mr Montgomery, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act for the relief of Abiel Akin, now confined in Monmouth jail for debt, which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from council entitled An act authorizing the sale of the real estate of Judith Harris of the county of Cumberland, deceased, and so much of the estate of James Harris deceased as belongs to the heirs of Pierson Harris deceased, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council, that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Burlington turnpike company, was read a third time and compared.

Mr Voorhees presented sundry petitions from inhabitants of the counties of Burlington, Monmouth and Middlesex, praying that the said bill may not pass into a law—

Which petitions were read, and considerable discussion upon the said bill took place, when

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Doughty,  
Earl,  
Glover,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Montgomery,  
Moore,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
J. Cox,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Dubois,  
Garrison,  
Gordon,  
J. Hankinson,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

The report of the committee relative to the memorial of the Associates of the Jersey company, was called up, read a second time and agreed to, and ordered to be carried to council for concurrence.

The bill from council entitled An act to ascertain and define the boundary lines of the several streets in the town plat of Newark, in the county of Essex; and for preventing encroachments upon the same; was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

The report of the committee on the state-prison accounts, was called up, and agreed to.

Mr Whitehead from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Susan M'Mahon, reported, that having

carefully enquired into the merits of said petition, they are of opinion that it is inadmissible to grant her request.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

The bill entitled *An act for the relief of Abiel Akin*, now confined in Monmouth jail for debt, was read a second time, considered and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled *A supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery*, passed the 15th day of February, 1804, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## THURSDAY, *November 24*, 1808.

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Nine o'clock—the house met.

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Mr Zabriskie, from the committee appointed to settle the quotas of the different counties in the assessment of the state tax, reported, that from the incomplete state of the documents submitted to them they have not judged it expedient to make a new assessment of quotas for the present year.

The obstacles to a fair and equitable assessment arise principally from a want of uniformity in the abstracts returned, and in the valuation of real estate in the several counties arising from an arbitrary valuation under the present law not made upon any general principle.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled *An act for the relief of Abiel Akin*, now confined in Monmouth gaol for debt, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:—



## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
W. Coxe,  
Dod,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Montgomery,

Messrs Moore,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,

Messrs Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Post,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Whitehead.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed the fifteenth day of February 1804, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

## YEAS,

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,

Messrs Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Montgomery,  
Moore,

## YEAS.

Messrs Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Rulon,  
Vansyckel,  
Vooghees,

Messrs Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Wright.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Post,  
Simpson,

Messrs Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Zabriskie.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to ascertain and define the boundary lines of the several streets in the town-plat of Newark in the county of Essex, and for preventing encroachments upon the same, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

The bill from council entitled An act for securing the laws, and relative to the office of the prerogative court, was read a third time, with the amendments made thereto by this house.

On the question, Shall this bill and amendments pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
 Bateman,  
 Boice,  
 J. Cox,  
 W. Cox,  
 Day,  
 Dod,  
 Doughty,  
 Dubois,  
 Earl,  
 Garrison,  
 Glover,  
 Gordon,  
 J. Hankinson,  
 H. Hankinson,  
 Hopper,  
 Irick,

Messrs Kennedy,  
 Kerr,  
 Neighbour,  
 Parker,  
 Post,  
 Rulon,  
 Squier,  
 Stout,  
 Vanduyne,  
 Vansyckel,  
 Voorhees,  
 Whitehead,  
 Wilson,  
 Williams,  
 Willets,  
 Wright,  
 Zabriskie.

## NAY.

Mr Stryker.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house with amendments, and request the concurrence of council in said amendments.

The bill entitled An act for the constituting and appointing a trustee to fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of John Wild, deceased, was read a second time, gone through by section, and postponed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house, entitled An act to incorporate the Woodbridge turnpike company, in the county of Middlesex; An act to incorporate the Perth-Amboy turnpike company; An act for the division of the Andover furnace and forge tracts in the counties of Morris and Sussex, and for the division of Devall's island in the county of Cumberland; An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Richard Palmer, late of the township of Trenton, county of Hunterdon, deceased;

and An act to set off a part of the borough of Elizabeth in the county of Essex, and to incorporate the same into a separate township, to be called the township of Union ; severally without amendment.

The bill entitled An act to raise the sum of dollars for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nine, was read a second time, considered by section, the blank in the title filled with *twenty-five thousand*, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill from council entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes, was read a second time, and the discussion on the first section thereof continued until

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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The resolution offered by Mr Wilson, on the petitions for an alteration in the boundary line between the counties of Somerset and Essex, was called up, amended, and agreed to as follows—

*Resolved*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition on the second Tuesday of the next session of the legislature, they previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, together with the order of this house, in the New-Jersey Journal, and in four of the most public places in the bounds affected, for four weeks preceding the time of presenting said bill ; also that a bill may be presented to continue said line from Green Brook near Manning's Mill, to the north boundary line of the county of Middlesex.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes, and having considered the same by section,

*Ordered*, That said bill have a third reading.



A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed A bill entitled An act concerning the trust created by the last will and testament of William Hall, late of the city of New-Brunswick, deceased; to which bill they request the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to regulate public landings and wharves in this state, was called up and postponed to next sitting of the legislature.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act for the constituting and appointing a trustee to fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of John Wild, deceased; and having gone through the same,

*Ordered;* That said bill be engrossed.

The bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters, passed the 24th day of January 1798, as reported by the committee, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

The bill entitled An act for the encouragement of Literature, was read a second time, and dismissed.

The report of his excellency the governor on the subject of the Manufactory at Paterson, was called up, read a second time, and committed to Messrs Day, Vanduyn and Dod.

The bill from council entitled An act to regulate the Fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes, was read a third time with the amendments.

On the question Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows.

#### YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
J. Cox,  
Day,  
Dod,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,

Messrs Hopper,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Montgomery,  
Neighbour,  
Parker,

## YEAS.

Messrs Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyt,

Messrs Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
W. Coxe,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Garrison,

Messrs Glover,  
Gordon,  
Irick,  
Moore,  
Rulon,  
Voorhees,  
Willits.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill and amendments.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house with amendments, and request their concurrence in said amendments.

Mr Parker offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States be requested to use their endeavors to procure a repeal of the act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States and the several acts supplementary thereto—and that the governor of this state transmit forthwith copies of this resolution to each of the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States.

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from council entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters passed the twenty-fourth day of January 1798, was read a third time with the amendments.

On the question, Shall this bill and amendments pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

## YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Earl,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Montgomery,  
Parker,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Williams,  
Wright,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
Gordon,

Messrs Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been disagreed to by this house.

Mr Dod presented a petition from a large number of inhabitants of Chatham and the contiguous parts of Morris and Essex counties, complaining of certain grievances sustained from the operations of the Morris turnpike company, and praying legislative interference in their behalf; which petition was read and committed to Messrs H. Hankinson, Stryker, and Wilson.

The bill from council entitled An act concerning the trust created by the last will and testament of William Hall, late of the city of New-Brunswick, deceased, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

Mr Rulon presented two petitions from inhabitants of the county of Gloucester, praying some amendment of the law for suppressing vice and immorality; also a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for suppressing vice and immorality, passed March 16th, 1798; which petitions and bill were read, and the bill ordered a second reading.

On motion of Mr Willits,

*Ordered*, That the petitioners for an act to regulate certain fisheries in the county of Cape-May, have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition on the second Wednesday of next session.

The house adjourned to nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

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FRIDAY, *November 25, 1803.*

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Nine o'clock—the house met.

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Mr H. Hankinson, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Morris and Essex, praying the aid of the legislature for relief, against certain encroachments made by the Morris turnpike company, by their erecting gates at less distance than six miles, and also on such parts of the same which was a public highway previous to the erecting of said turnpike road, Reported,

That after examining the law incorporating said turnpike company, they are of the opinion that said company have not the right to erect any one of their gates within a less distance than six miles of each other, and conceive that to have been the intention of the legislature at the time of granting the charter.

And your committee are also of the opinion that the law does not give the said company the controul over such parts of the road which was a public highway before the grant of their charter, and to which they have not obtained a title, any further than to erect a turnpike road on the same.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Messrs Bateman, W. Coxe, and Kerr were appointed a committee to examine the files, and report what business required the attention of the house prior to its rising.

Mr Whitehead presented a petition from Abraham Wooley of the county of Essex, praying to be remunerated for expences incurred in bringing a horse-thief to justice ;



which petition was read and referred to the committee on the incidental bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the constituting and appointing a trustee to fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of John Wild, deceased, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,

Bateman,

J. Cox,

Dod,

Doughty,

Dubois,

Garrison,

Glover,

J. Hankinson,

H. Hankinson,

Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,

Montgomery,

Moore,

Neighbour,

Rulon,

Stout,

Vansyckel,

Whitehead,

Wilson,

Wright.

### NAYS.

Messrs Boice,

W. Coxe,

Day,

Earl,

Gordon,

Hopper,

Irick,

Parker,

Pearson,

Messrs Post,

Simpson,

Squier,

Stryker,

Vanduyne,

Voorhees,

Williams,

Willits,

Zabriskie.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

Mr Bateman, from the committee on that subject, reported a list of the business that remains undisposed of on the files of the house ; which list was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled An act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike road from Aquaknoak landing in Essex, to the Belleville turnpike road at the gate thereof, near Schuyler's mine in the township of New-Barbadoes, Bergen county, with amendments, to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house.

Which amendments were severally read, agreed to, and the bill as amended ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr Day, from the committee to whom was referred the report of the governor on the property of the society of useful manufactures at Paterson, reported,

That in their opinion Silas Whitehead be appointed commissioner in behalf of the state to receive the money arising from rent, interest, &c. now in the hands of said society, or which may be on the first day of September next, belonging to the state, and pay the same to the treasurer of this state; also report the same to the legislature at their next session together with the highest price that can be obtained for each share of said capital stock.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house; and directed to be carried to council for concurrence.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house that council have agreed to the amendments made by the house of Assembly to the bill entitled An act for securing the laws, and relative to the office of the prerogative court, and have caused the same to be re-engrossed.

The resolution laid on the table by Mr Kennedy, for appointing a committee to bring in a bill for the purpose of establishing a state bank, was called up, and dismissed.

Mr Whitehead, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges: which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to raise the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars for the year of our Lord one

thousand eight hundred and nine, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill from council entitled An act concerning the trust created by the last will and testament of William Hall, late of the city of New-Brunswick, deceased, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS,

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Earl,  
Garrison,  
Gordon,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Montgomery,  
Moore,

Messrs Neighbour,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Rulon,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie,

### NAYS,

Messrs J. Cox,  
Dubois,  
Glover,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Stout,  
Whitehead.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

On motion of Mr Stryker,

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief be requested to procure for and in behalf of this state, such a number of copies of the manœuvres of horse artillery, translated by col. Jonathan Williams, as may be sufficient for the militia of this state.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing resolution be carried to council for concurrence.

On motion of Mr Parker,

*Resolved*, That the speaker of this house, and in case of his death or inability, the person administering the government of this state, have power to convene the general assembly during the session whenever any extraordinary occasion shall, in his opinion, render it necessary, by causing public notice to be given of the time when the general assembly may be required to meet, in the several newspapers of this state, four weeks immediately preceding such time of meeting, and by written notices to the several members.

The bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges, was read, considered, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Neighbour, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act against usury, passed February 8th, 1797; which bill was read, and together with the petitions, ordered to be dismissed.

Mr Parker called up the resolution laid on the table yesterday in the following words: viz.

*Resolved*, That the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States be requested to use their endeavors to procure a repeal of the act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States and the several acts supplementary thereto—and that the governor of this state transmit forthwith copies of this resolution to each of the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States.



After considerable discussion thereupon, the yeas and nays were called for on the resolution, and were as follow :

YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Montgomery,  
Parker,  
Pearson,

Messrs Post,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Williams,  
Willits,  
Zabriskie.

NAYS.

Messrs Basset,  
Bateman,  
J. Cox,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
H. Hankinson,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Moore,  
Neighbour,  
Rulon,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson,  
Wright.

So the said resolution was disagreed to.

Mr Dod thereupon offered the following resolutions : viz.

Whereas the unceasing hostility of Great-Britain and France, towards the neutral rights and commerce of the United States, having rendered every prospect of an amicable adjustment of our grievances hopeless ; and considering it the duty of all good citizens to rally round the standard of the general government ; therefore,

*Resolved*, as the sense of the legislature of New-Jersey, That we have viewed with abhorrence, the repeated aggressions on our national sovereignty, and the plunder of our commerce, by those common disturbers of the tranquillity and peace of nations.

That we have anxiously waited the result of the earnest and unceasing endeavors of our government to restore harmony and a good understanding with those nations ; and regret that they should still remain deaf to the voice of justice ; and perversely blind to the mutual interests of all.

That national honor and interest forbid that any further advances be made on the part of our government, towards an accommodation, whilst the orders and decrees of Great-Britain and France continue in force against our commerce.

That inclination and duty prompt us to unite in support of such measures as the wisdom and prudence of the general government may direct.

That whether we be called to endure privations resulting from the embargo—non-intercourse—or the more direful calamities of war, we will prefer *either, or all*, to the disgraceful and degrading condition of *Tribute*.

That whilst we are desirous of maintaining the utmost latitude, for the free discussion of public measures, and of making every charitable allowance for diversity of opinion, we cannot avoid expressing our most decided disapprobation of the conduct of that portion of citizens, who invariably condemn every official act of the administration ; and by palliating or justifying the aggressions of our enemies, endeavor to withdraw the confidence of our citizens from the rulers of their own choice.

That notwithstanding the many artful appeals to the *passions* and *pockets* of our citizens, to seduce their affections and confidence from the general government, we are happy to find the good sense of our constituents a sufficient security against such attempts ; and that the lives and fortunes of Jersey men will be cheerfully pledged to aid such measures as the constituted authorities may direct for maintaining the honor and independence of our country ; and that “*the alternative chosen, whatever it may be, will be maintained with all the fortitude and patriotism which the crisis ought to inspire.*”

*Resolved*, That the governor of this state be requested to forward copies of the foregoing resolutions, to the president of the United States, and to our senators and representatives in congress.

Which resolutions were read and ordered a second reading.  
The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon:

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Three o'clock afternoon—the house met.

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The engrossed bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative:

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike road from Aquaknonk landing in Essex, to the Belleville turnpike road at the gate thereof, near Schuyler's mine in the township of New-Barbadoes, Bergen county, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:—

#### YEAS.

Messrs Basset,  
Boice,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Gordon,  
H. Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Montgomery,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson,  
Williams,  
Willets,  
Zabriskie.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
J. Cox,  
Dod,  
Garrison,  
Glover,  
J. Hankinson,  
Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,  
Neighbour,  
Rulon,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wright,

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house and that they have caused the same to be re-engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have agreed to the amendments made by the house to the bill entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes, except the first, which they disagreed to.

Which first amendment having been read and considered,

*Resolved*, That this house recede therefrom ; and

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council thereof.

The report of the treasurer on the subject of unsettled accounts, was called up, and read, and ordered to be handed to council for their information.

The resolution offered by Mr Basset relative to the arrearages of taxes due from the county of Monmouth, was called up, read and dismissed.

The bill supplementary to the act for the suppression of vice and immorality, was called up and referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

The Dover and Suckasunny turnpike bill was called up, and referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

The Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike bill was called up and postponed to the second Tuesday of next session of the legislature.



The resolutions offered by Mr Dod this morning, were called up, read a second time, severally considered, amended and agreed to, and the resolutions ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to seven o'clock to-morrow morning.

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SATURDAY, *November 26, 1803.*

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Seven o'clock—the house met.

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The resolutions offered by Mr Dod yesterday, were brought in engrossed, read, and adopted in the following words, to wit :

Whereas the unceasing hostility of Great-Britain and France, towards the neutral rights and commerce of the United States, having rendered the prospect of an amicable adjustment of our grievances extremely doubtful ; and considering it the duty of all good citizens to rally round the standard of the general government ; therefore,

*Resolved*, as the sense of the legislature of New-Jersey, That we have viewed with abhorrence, the repeated aggressions on our national sovereignty, and the plunder of our commerce, by those common disturbers of the tranquility and peace of nations.

That we have anxiously waited the result of the earnest and unceasing endeavors of our government to restore harmony and a good understanding with those nations ; and regret they should still remain deaf to the voice of justice ; and perversely blind to the mutual interests of all.

That inclination and duty prompt us to unite in support of such measures as the wisdom and prudence of the general government may direct.

That whether we be called to endure privations resulting from the embargo—non-intercourse—or the more direful calamities of war, we will prefer *either, or all*, to the disgraceful and degrading condition of *Tribute*.

That whilst we are desirous of maintaining the utmost latitude, for the free discussion of public measures, and of making every charitable allowance for diversity of opinion, we cannot avoid expressing our most decided disapprobation of the conduct of those persons who palliate or justify the aggressions of our enemies.

That notwithstanding the many artful appeals to the *passions* and *pockets* of our citizens, to seduce their affections and confidence from the general government, we are happy to find the good sense of our constituents a sufficient security against such attempts.

That the lives and fortunes of Jerseymen will be cheerfully pledged to aid such measures as the constituted authorities may direct for maintaining the honor and independence of our country ; and that “ *the alternative chosen, whatever it may be, will be maintained with all the fortitude and patriotism which the crisis ought to inspire.*”

*Resolved*, That the governor of this state be requested to forward copies of the foregoing resolutions, to the president of the United States, and to our senators and representatives in congress.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said resolutions.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said resolutions to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house; and request their concurrence therein.

The clerk of the house of assembly stated, that from his residing at a distance from the state-house, and finding it inconvenient to pay the necessary attention to the public property, he asked leave to resign the charge thereof.

*Ordered*, That his resignation be accepted.

*Resolved*, That William Hyer, esq. be appointed to take charge of the state-house and lot, in the place of James J. Wilson, who has resigned the same.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill entitled An act for the relief of Abiel Akin, now confined in Monmouth jail for debt ; the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Bur-

lington turnpike company ; the bill entitled An act to appoint trustees to sell and convey certain parts of the real estate, whereof James Dunham died seized in the county of Middlesex ; the bill entitled An act to raise the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars for the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nine ; the bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges ; the bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed the 15th day of February, 1804 ; the bill entitled An act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of the state of New-Jersey ; severally without amendment ; also, that they have agreed to the amendments made by this house to the bill entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes, and have caused the same to be re-engrossed ; also, that council have concurred in the resolutions from the house relative to the town of Jersey ; also that council have disagreed to the resolution from this house relative to purchasing a number of copies of the manœuvres of horse artillery translated by col. Williams ; also that council have agreed to the resolutions from the house of assembly relative to the care of the state-house and lot ; and relative to the belligerent powers, severally with amendments ; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house.

Which amendments were respectively read, and disagreed to, and the clerk directed to inform council thereof.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary informed the house, that council adhere to their amendments to the resolutions relative to the belligerent powers, and the resolution relative to the state house and lot.

Consequently, the said resolutions are lost.

On motion of Mr H. Hankmson,

*Resolved*, That Peter Gordon, esq. be appointed to take charge of the state house and lot.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said resolutions to council, and request their concurrence therein.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house, that council have agreed to the resolution from this house, relative to the state-house and yard, with an amendment ; to which amendment they request the concurrence of this house.

Which amendment was read and disagreed to ; and the clerk directed to inform council thereof.

The house rose.







VOTES  
AND  
*PROCEEDINGS*  
OF THE  
THIRTY-FOURTH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY,  
OF THE  
STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.

AT A SESSION BEGUN AT TRENTON, ON THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY  
OF OCTOBER, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINE, AND  
CONTINUED BY ADJOURNMENTS.

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BEING THE FIRST SITTING.

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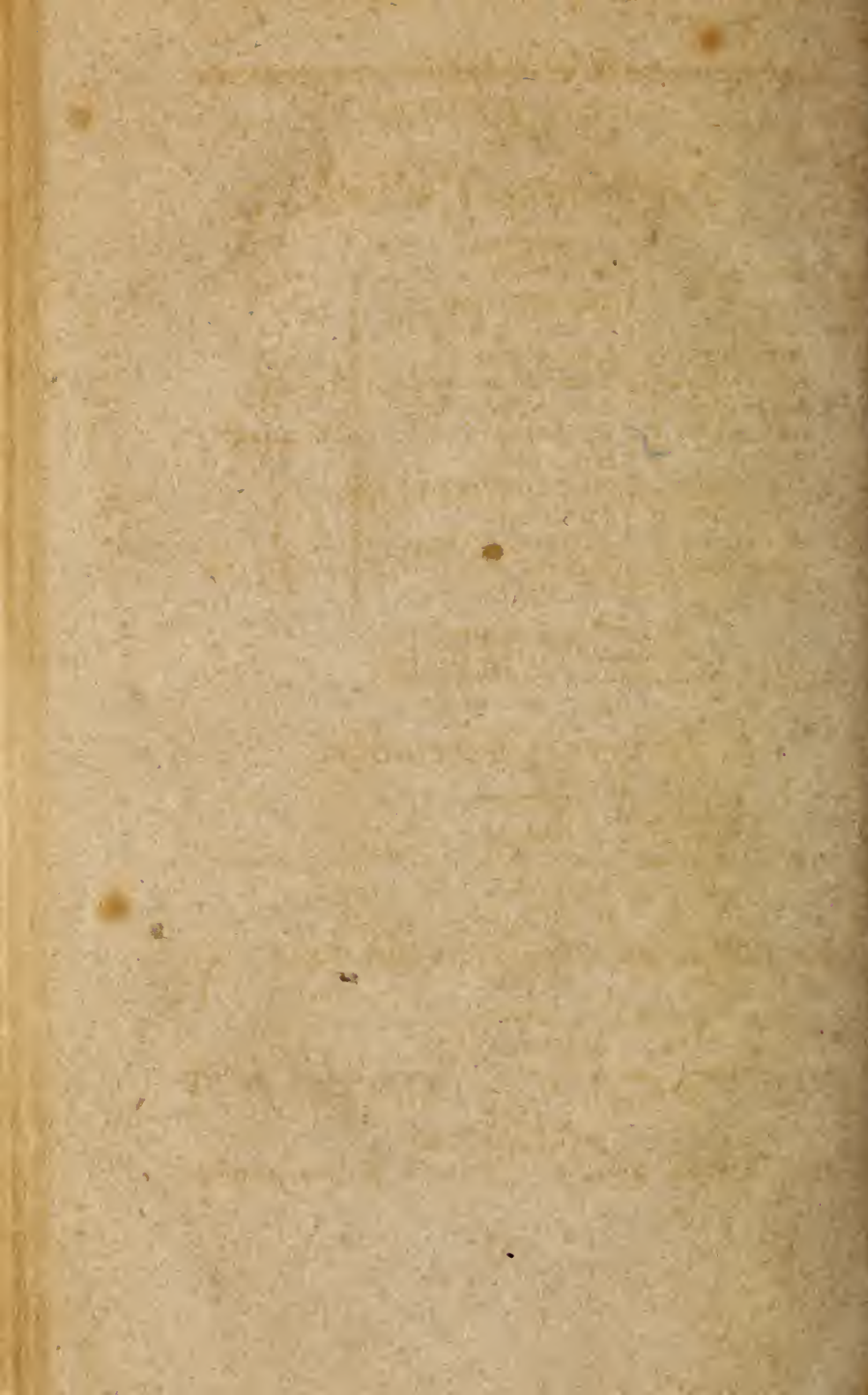
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OF THE  
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<i>Bergen,</i>	THE HONORABLE	Peter Ward,	}	ESQUIRES.
<i>Essex,</i>		Thomas Ward,		
<i>Middlesex,</i>		Ercuries Beatty,		
<i>Monmouth,</i>		John A. Scudder,		
<i>Somerset,</i>		John Frelinghuysen,		
<i>Burlington,</i>		George Anderson,		
<i>Gloucester,</i>		Richard M. Cooper,		
<i>Salem,</i>		Isaiah Shinn,		
<i>Cape-May,</i>		Mathew Whildin,		
<i>Hunterdon,</i>		John Haas,		
<i>Morris,</i>		Benjamin Ludlow,		
<i>Cumberland,</i>		James B. Hunt,		
<i>Sussex,</i>		Barnabas Swayze,		

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LIST OF MEMBERS  
OF THE  
*General Assembly.*

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BERGEN.

William Colfax, Adrian Post, John Hopper, esquires.

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ESSEX.

Silas Whitehead, Israel Day, Charles Clark, Nathan Squier, esquires.

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MIDDLESEX.

James Parker, James Voorhees, George Boice, esquires.

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MONMOUTH.

Henry Tiebout, Silas Crane, John S. Holmes, esquires.

## SOMERSET.

Peter I. Stryker, John N. Simpson, James Vanduyne,  
esquires.

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## BURLINGTON.

William Pearson, William Irick, Caleb Earl, William  
Coxe, esquires.

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## GLOUCESTER.

Joseph V. Clark, John Brick, Thomas Doughty, esquires.

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## SALEM.

Jeremiah Dubois, Philip Curriden, John Smith, esquires.

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## CAPE-MAY.

Thomas H. Hughes.

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## HUNTERDON.

Aaron Vansyckel, James J. Wilson, Moses Stout, Joseph  
Hankinson, esquires.

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## MORRIS.

Aaron Kitchel, Lewis Condict, Stephen Dod, esquires.

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## CUMBERLAND.

Ephraim Bateman, Daniel Richman, esquires.

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## SUSSEX.

William Kennedy, Aaron Kerr, John Cox, Richard Ed-  
sall, esquires.

# VOTES & PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

THIRTY-FOURTH

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

*STATE OF NEW-JERSEY.*

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TRENTON, OCTOBER 24, 1809.

THIS being the time and place appointed by law for the first meeting of the general assembly, the following persons, to wit, William Colfax, Adrian Post, and John Hopper, as representatives for the county of Bergen ; Silas Whitehead, Israel Day, Charles Clark, and Nathan Squier, as representatives for the county of Essex ; James Parker, James Voorhees, and George Boice, as representatives for the county of Middlesex ; Henry Tiebout, Silas Crane, and John S. Holmes, as representatives for the county of Monmouth ; Peter I. Stryker, John N. Simpson, and James Vanduyn, as representatives for the county of Somerset ; William Pearson, William Irick, and Caleb Earl, as representatives for the county of Burlington ; Joseph V. Clark, John Brick, and Thomas Doughty, as representatives for the county of Gloucester ; Jeremiah Dubois, Philip Curriden, and John Smith, as representatives for the county of Salem ; Aaron Vansyckel, James J. Wilson, Moses Stout, and Joseph Hankinson, as representatives for the county of Hunterdon ; Aaron Kitchel and Lewis Condict, as representatives for the county of Morris ; Ephraim Bateman and Daniel Richman, as representatives for the county of Cumberland ; William Kennedy, Aaron Kerr, John Cox, and Richard Edsall, as representatives for the county of Sussex, attended and produced the respective certificates of their election ; which were read and approved ;



Whereupon James J. Wilson, esq. was appointed agreeably to the constitution to qualify Silas Whitehead, esq. who being duly sworn took his seat ; and the remaining members present being qualified by the said Silas Whitehead, esq. took their seats in the house.

The members proceeded to the appointment of a speaker ; when the honorable Lewis Conduct, esq. was chosen and took the chair.

The house proceeded to the election of a clerk ; when Daniel Coleman, was chosen, and being qualified took his seat at the table.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that a quorum of this house have this day met, made choice of the honorable Lewis Conduct, esq. their speaker, and Daniel Coleman their clerk, and have proceeded to business.

The house unanimously appointed William Gould their doorkeeper during the session.

On motion of Mr Kennedy—*Ordered*, that Messrs Kennedy, Irick and Bateman, be a committee to prepare and report rules and regulations for the government of this house.

On motion of Mr Wilson—*Ordered*, that Messrs Vanduyne, Wilson and Day, be a committee to bring forward the unfinished business of last sitting.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that the members of council have this day met, and elected the honorable Thomas Ward their vice-president, James Linn their secretary, and proceeded to business.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, October 25, 1809.

Ten o'clock, the house met.

Mr Kennedy from the committee on that subject reported rules and regulations for the government of this house, which were read, agreed to, and ordered to be printed for the use of the members.



Mr Vanduyn, from the committee on that subject, reported the following list of unfinished business :

1. A bill supplementary to an act entitled "An act concerning inns and taverns," passed the 24th day of February, 1797.

2. A bill for the sale of the government house and lot in the city of Trenton.

3. A bill to incorporate societies for the promotion of American manufactures.

4. A bill to regulate public landings and wharves.

5. A bill supplementary to the act for the suppression of vice and immorality.

6. A bill to authorize a draw-bridge over Great-Mantua creek.

7. A bill to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike company.

8. A bill to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company.

9. A bill to authorize a turnpike road from Dover to Suckasunny Plains.

10. A report of the committee on military affairs.

11. A report on the subject of education.

12. A petition against the running of swine at large, in the highways, streets and commons, without ringing.

13. A petition for an act more effectually to prevent the destruction of sheep by dogs.

14. A petition that justices of the peace may be authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments of writing.

The secretary of state brought to the house a communication from his excellency the governor, in the following words, viz.

*"New-Jersey, October 25th, 1809.*

"I have the honor to lay before the legislature ;

A. A resolution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts

of the 22d of February last, disapproving the amendment to the constitution of the United States proposed by the commonwealth of Virginia on the 13th of January 1808, respecting the removal of the senators in the congress of the United States, by the vote of a majority of the whole number of the members of the respective state legislatures.

B. A resolution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts of the 20th of June last, respecting a proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States, that "No law shall be enacted for laying an embargo, or for prohibiting or suspending commerce for a longer period than until the expiration of thirty days from the commencement of the session of congress next succeeding the session in which such law shall have been enacted."

C. A letter from the governor of Pennsylvania, with a printed state of the case of Gideon Olmstead and others, against the executrixes of David Rittenhouse—and sundry resolutions of the legislature of Pennsylvania thereon, and among others *a resolution* proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, "That an impartial tribunal may be established, to determine disputes between the general and state governments."

D. An attested copy under the great seal of this state of the law of the 28th of November last, entitled "An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware and for other purposes," was transmitted to the legislature of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania ; And on the 23d of February last, a law passed the said commonwealth complying with the amendments and additions contained in the law of New-Jersey, as will appear by an exemplified copy of the law of Pennsylvania.

E. Copies of the resolution of the legislature of 21st November last, were transmitted to each of the senators and representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, instructing them "to use their endeavors in favor of the application made to congress to have the town of Jersey erected into a port of entry with the usual privileges."

F. Twenty-four pieces of field artillery, carrying balls of six pounds, have been purchased in pursuance of the law of

the 14th of November last—*Contracts* have been made to mount and furnish the same with *ammunition waggons, harness, and the necessary equipments*, complete for the field.

G. The militia fines and forfeitures in the treasury not being sufficient to discharge the whole amount of the contracts, it is submitted to the legislature, after they shall have examined the contracts, (which as to *twelve* ammunition waggons and harness are *conditional*) to make appropriation of such money as they shall think proper to fulfil the contracts ; by doing this, the 24 companies of artillery will each appear in the field, alike equipped with a field piece and ammunition waggon.

H. The deficiency in the treasury of militia fines to meet the engagements necessary to be made to complete the 24 pieces of artillery for the field, induced exertions to be made to carry into effect the law of 4th December 1807 ; and payment having been actually made, of four thousand dollars into the treasury, to and for the use of the state, a transfer was thereupon made on the 12th of August last, of the right of the state, to subscribe to the capital stock of the Jersey bank.

I. The state have presented the Baron Steuben's discipline to the officers of the *infantry*, but the officers of the *artillery* and *cavalry*, are without instructions for their several corps. Manœuvres for the artillery and instructions for the cavalry are delivered herewith, in expectation that the legislature will direct their several systems of tactics or some other discipline to be procured and delivered to the officers of these very useful corps, that uniformity in their respective formation and manœuvres may be introduced.

K. On the eleventh day of March last, the honorable Aaron Kitchel, resigned his seat of Senator of the United States, on the part of this state, the executive thereof made a temporary appointment, until the meeting of the legislature.

The laws and journals of congress and the laws of our sister states received during the year, have been deposited in the library of the state, and 342 copies of the laws of the United States, delivered to the treasurer for distribution.

JOSEPH BLOOMFIELD."



Which communication was read and ordered a second reading.

The report of unfinished business was taken up :

No. 1, was read and committed to Messrs Charles Clark, Earl and Doughty.

No. 2, read and ordered a second reading.

No. 3, was read and committed to Messrs Edsall, Simpson and Bateman.

No. 4, was read and committed with the petitions on the subject to Messrs Parker, Holmes and Smith.

No. 5, was read and ordered a second reading, and in mean time to be printed.

No. 6, was read and ordered a second reading with the petitions on the same subject.

No. 7, was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 8, was read and postponed.

No. 9, was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 10, was read and committed to Messrs Stryker, Wilson, Tiebout, Day and Post.

No. 11, was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 12, was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 13, was read and committed to Messrs Pearson, Hankinson and Crane, with leave to report by bill.

No. 14, was read and committed to Messrs Kerr, Dubois and Curriden, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Pearson presented to the house a memorial from Gideon H. Wells, praying a law to authorize him to communicate the waters of the Delaware river into the Assanpink creek by means of a wing-dam, &c. which was read and committed to Messrs Dubois, Irick and Squier.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon, the house met.

William Coxe, esq. as a representative from the county



of Burlington, appeared in the house, produced a certificate of his election, was duly qualified, and took his seat.

The message from the governor was taken up, read, and the several items in the same disposed of as follows :

The item marked A, being a resolution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, disapproving the amendment to the constitution of the United States proposed by the commonwealth of Virginia, was ordered to be filed.

The item marked B, being a resolution of the commonwealth of Massachusetts proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, that "No law shall be enacted for laying an embargo, &c. for a longer period than until the expiration of thirty days after the commencement of a subsequent session to that in which it shall have been enacted," was committed to Messrs Kitchel, Brick and Whitehead.

Part of the item marked C, being a letter from the governor of Pennsylvania containing a resolution of the legislature thereof proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, "That an impartial tribunal may be established, to determine disputes between the general and state governments," was committed to Messrs Squier, W. Coxe, and Vansyckel.

The item marked D, containing an act of the legislature of Pennsylvania ratifying a law of the state of New-Jersey regulating the fisheries in the river Delaware was ordered to be filed in the office of the secretary of state.

The items marked F, and G, containing an account of the purchase of twenty-four pieces of field artillery, and the contracts for mounting and furnishing the same with ammunition waggons, &c. was committed to Messrs Bateman, Vanduyn and Stout.

So much of the item marked H, as relates to the sale of the right of the state to subscribe to the capital stock of the Jersey bank, according to the law of December 4th 1807, &c. was committed to Messrs Day, Joseph V. Clark and Richman.

The item marked I, containing information that the state had presented Baron Steuben's discipline to the officers of the *infantry*, but that the officers of the artillery and cavalry were unsupplied with instructions for their several corps, &c. was referred to the committee on military affairs.

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill to make provision for the payment of the different officers of government for the present year.

Messrs Kennedy, Voorhees and John Cox, were accordingly appointed.

*Ordered*, That a committee of five members be appointed on the part of this house to join a committee of council to settle the accounts of the treasurer.

Messrs Whitehead, Parker, Dubois, Irick, and Smith, were accordingly appointed.

*Ordered*, That a committee of five members be appointed on the part of this house to join a committee of council to settle the accounts of the state-prison.

Messrs Currien, Earl, Crane, Brick and Boice, were accordingly appointed.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council thereof, and request council to appoint committees on their part to join said committees.

Mr Vansyckel presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, praying that the legislature would pass a law to appoint commissioners to raise by subscription a competent sum of money, and incorporate a company, for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Delaware, at or near the place now occupied by Joseph Howell and William Mitchell, as a ferry.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Vansyckel, Hopper and Edsall.

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed to settle the quotas of the several counties for the ensuing year.

Messrs Colfax, C. Clark, Parker, Vanduyn, Holmes, I-rick, J. V. Clark, Smith, Hughes, Vansyckel, Kitchel, Bateman and Kennedy were accordingly appointed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

### THURSDAY, *October 26.*

Ten o'clock, the house met.

A number of petitions were presented from insolvent debtors confined in different jails in this state, and committed to Messrs Tiebout, Simpson and John Cox, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Squier presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the county of Essex, praying that the usual time of holding the circuit court and court of oyer and terminer in and for said county, may be changed to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Squier, Hopper and Stout, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Kerr presented petitions from a number of the inhabitants of Sussex, praying a law to make a turnpike road from some place at or near the thirty-four mile post on the Morris turnpike, to the water-gap; also,

A counter petition;

Which were severally read and committed to Messrs Kerr, Colfax and Day, with leave to report by bill.

Mr J. Cox presented a petition for leave to erect a turnpike road from Flemington to intersect a branch of the Washington turnpike on Schooley's Mountain; which was read and committed to Messrs John Cox, Boice and Han-kinson, with leave to report by bill.

*Ordered,* That Messrs Vanduyn, Wilson and C. Clark, be a committee to bring in an incidental bill.

No. 6 of the unfinished business was called up, read a second time, and postponed.

Mr Colfax presented a petition from the heirs, &c. of John Van Allen dec. for a law to appoint trustees to sell the



real estate of said deceased ; which was read and committed to Messrs Colfax, Voorhees and Earl, with leave to report by bill.

*Ordered*, That a committee be appointed to bring in a tax bill.

Messrs Whitehead, Pearson and Richman were accordingly appointed.

Mr Bateman offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any what alterations are necessary in the act relative to the laying out, vacating and altering of roads, passed the 1st of June 1799, and of the several acts supplementary thereto, with leave to report by bill.

Which resolution being read and agreed to,

Messrs Holmes, Bateman and Doughty, were accordingly appointed.

No. 2 of the unfinished business, being a bill for the sale of the government house and lot in the city of Trenton, was read a second time and committed to Messrs Crane, Stryker and Edsall.

No. 12, being a petition relative to hogs running at large without ringing, was called up and dismissed.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that this house are ready to go into a joint-meeting for the choice of a governor of the state, and clerks of counties where vacancies now do or are about to exist, and request council to appoint the time and place.

*Ordered*, That the several petitions from insolvent debtors presented last year and postponed to this sitting, be referred to the committee on that subject.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have appointed Messrs Scudder and Ludlow, or either of them, on the part of council, for the purpose of settling the accounts of the treasurer ; and Messrs Anderson and Shinn, or either of them, a committee for the purpose of settling the accounts of the state-prison.



Also, that council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting, for the purpose of chusing a governor of this state, and clerks of such counties as are now or are about to become vacant; on Friday next, at three o'clock afternoon in the assembly-room.

*Ordered,* That the petition of the administrators of Elias Dayton, deceased, presented at a former sitting, be dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon, the house met.

Mr Parker from the committee to whom was referred the bill entitled "An act to regulate public landings and wharves in this state," reported, That on examination of the same they are unanimously of opinion that the provisions therein contained would operate injuriously both to the public and individuals, and that the said bill ought not to become a law.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house, and the bill and petitions ordered to be dismissed.

Mr Kitchell from the committee to whom was referred the resolution of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for an amendment of the constitution of the United States, so far as to prohibit Congress from passing any act laying an embargo for any longer period than until the expiration of thirty days from the commencement of the next sitting of Congress, reported,

That they have had the said resolution under consideration, and are of opinion that it is inexpedient to adopt the same at this time.

Which report being read and agreed to by the House,

*Ordered,* That the Governor of this State be requested to transmit a copy of the same to the Governor of Massachusetts.

*Ordered,* That the foregoing report be carried to Council for their concurrence.

Mr Earl presented from Samuel Wright, jr. and George

Bill a counter memorial to that presented yesterday by Gideon H. Wells, praying that his petition may not be granted.

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the memorial of Mr Wells.

Mr J. Cox presented a petition from John Lowrence, praying that a law may be passed to enable him to raise by way of lottery ten thousand dollars ;

Which was read, and leave given to withdraw the petition.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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### FRIDAY, *October 27.*

Ten o'clock—the house met.

Mr Crane from the committee to whom was referred the bill for the sale of the Government-house and lot in the city of Trenton, reported the same with sundry amendments ;

Which bill as amended was read and postponed, and ordered in the meantime to be printed.

Mr Squier from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to alter the time of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer and general jail delivery in the county of Essex, to the fourth Tuesday in April and the third Tuesday in October ;

Which bill was read, ordered a second reading, and in the meantime to be printed.

Mr Voorhees presented petitions from insolvent debtors confined in Middlesex jail ; which were referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Dubois presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the township of Upper-Alloways creek in the county of Salem, praying a law may be passed to prohibit any person or persons from disturbing the regular fisheries on the said creek by driving or splashing the same ;

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Dubois, J. V. Clark and Kennedy, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Edsall from the committee to whom was referred the bill to incorporate societies for the promotion of American manufactures, reported the same without amendment ;

Which bill was read, ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

The bill entitled An act to enable the chosen freeholders of the county of Gloucester to build a draw-bridge over Great Mantua Creek, at a place called Crownpoint, was taken up, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Kerr from the committee to whom was referred No. 13 of the unfinished business, being a petition that justices of the peace may be authorised to take acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments of writing, reported,

That in their opinion any alteration in the laws respecting acknowledging of deeds and other instruments of writing, would be inexpedient at this time.

After some discussion, the House agreed to the report ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petition be dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon, the house met.

Council came into the Assembly room, and the two Houses went into joint-meeting ; and after going thro' their business, rose—and the House resumed its sitting.

Mr Brick asked and obtained leave of absence till Wednesday next.

Mr Parker, also, asked and obtained leave of absence till Tuesday next.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.



SATURDAY, *October 28.*

Ten o'clock, the Houe met.

Mr C. Clark, from the committee to whom was referred No. 1, of the unfinished business, being a bill supplementary



to an act entitled An act concerning inns and taverns, passed the 24th day of February, 1797, reported,

That in their opinion no alteration is necessary in the act now in force.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Voorhees presented a petition from John I. Hankins, confined in Middlesex jail for debt; which was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Kennedy offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to examine the law constituting courts for the trial of small causes, and see whether any or what alterations may be necessary in said act;

Which resolution was agreed to, and committed to Messrs Vanduyn, Kennedy and Whitehead, with leave to report by bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to enable the chosen freeholders of the county of Gloucester to build a draw-bridge over Great Mantua Creek at a place called Crown-point; was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

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MONDAY, *October 30.*

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Mr J. Cox from the committee to whom was referred the petition praying a law may be passed for a turnpike road from Flemington to intersect a branch of the Washington turnpike on Schooley's Mountain, reported,



That in their opinion it would be inexpedient at this time to grant the prayer of the same.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House, whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Mr Kennedy from the committee for that purpose, reported a bill entitled An act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of the State of New-Jersey.

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any what alterations are necessary in the act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, passed November 26th, 1808, with leave to report by bill.

Which resolution was read and agreed to by the house, and Messrs Kerr, Brick and Vansyckel appointed for that purpose.

Mr Tiebout presented a petition from several justices of the peace of the county of Monmouth praying some specified amendments may be made in the law for the trial of small causes.

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Squier from the committee to whom was referred the letter from the governor of Pennsylvania accompanying a resolution of the Legislature of that state proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, &c. Reported,

That since the date of the resolution the dispute which gave rise to it has been finally adjusted, and that there appears little probability of a recurrence of a similar event, but should this expectation be disappointed it does not appear that the establishment of any new tribunal would produce a more effectual compliance with its decisions on the part of a dissatisfied state than may at present be expected from the established provisions of the laws and constitution of the

United States and the patriotism and wisdom of the people — Under these considerations the following Resolution is submitted :

*Resolved*, That it is not expedient for this state to agree to the proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States proposed by the state of Pennsylvania for establishing an impartial tribunal to decide disputes between the General and State Governments, and that the Governor be requested to communicate this resolution to the executives of the different states.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading,

Mr Voorhees presented a petition from Daniel Story a prisoner confined in Middlesex jail for debt.

Which was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr Wilson moved the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the following be added to the standing rules of the House,

That the names of the members shall be called over by the clerk at the first meeting of the house in every week, and that the names of such as are absent be entered on the minutes.

Which resolution was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Dubois presented several petitions from inhabitants of the county of Salem, praying that the Legislatare would repeal an act passed the 2d of March 1777, empowering the inhabitants of the township of Lower Penn's Neck, in said county to rebuild and keep in repair the bridge and causeway therein mentioned ;

And also to pass a law to authorize and direct the board of chosen freeholders of the county aforesaid, to cause a bridge to be built across Salem creek at some place between the fork of said creek and the lower side of the street commonly known by the name of the Old Wharf-street in the township of Salem to the township of Lower Penn's Neck.

Which petitions were read and committed to Messrs Dubois, Pearson and C. Clark, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Pearson presented several counter petitions from inhabitants of the said county, which were read and referred to the same committee.

Mr Vansyckel from the committee on the petition of a number of inhabitants of Hunterdon, praying that the legislature would pass a law to incorporate a company to build a bridge over the river Delaware, at or near Howell's ferry, reported,

That the petitioners have leave to present a bill for that purpose.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, praying that the legislature would take into their serious consideration the propriety of taxing bank-stock ;

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Wilson, Simpson and Richman, with leave to report by bill.

Mr W. Coxe, presented a petition from seven insolvent debtors confined in Burlington jail.

Which petition was referred to the committee on that subject.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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TUESDAY, *October 31.*

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Mr Tiebout from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act of March 18th, 1795 ;

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr Colfax agreeably to leave given, presented a bill en-



titled An act for appointing trustees for the sale of the real estate of John Van Allen, dec.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Hunterdon county, praying that bank-stock may be taxed ;

Which petition was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

The bill to incorporate Societies for the promotion of American Manufactures, was taken up, read a second time, and after some time employed thereon ;

*Ordered,* That it be dismissed.

Mr Bateman then presented a petition for a law to be passed to incorporate the Fairfield manufacturing company.

Which petition was read, and leave given to present a bill agreeably thereto ;

Whereupon, Mr Bateman presented a bill entitled An act to incorporate the Fairfield manufacturing company ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Squier called up the report and resolution which he laid upon the table yesterday relative to a proposed amendment of the constitution of the United States, recommended by the state of Pennsylvania.

Which was read, and the resolution agreed to by the house.

Mr Kennedy moved that the sense of the House be taken on the question of an adjourned sitting of the legislature.

On the question, Shall there be an adjourned sitting ?

On motion of Mr Bateman, the Yeas and Nays were taken, and were as follow :—

#### YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hopper,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Vanduyne,  
Whitehead.



## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kerr,

Messrs Kitchell,  
Parker,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees.  
Wilson.

So it was decided in the negative.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

Mr Parker presented a petition from an insolvent debtor confined in Middlesex jail ; which was read and ordered a second reading with the bill.

Mr Bateman called up the bill entitled A supplement to an Act for the suppression of vice and immorality.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from a number of respectable inhabitants of Trenton on the same subject ; which, with the bill, was committed to Messrs Wilson, Voorhees and Bateman.

Mr Dubois from the committee on that subject presented a bill entitled An act to empower the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Salem, to erect a bridge over Salem creek near the forks thereof ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The report of the committee relative to inns and taverns, was taken up, read, agreed to by the house, and the bill ordered to be dismissed.

The bill entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act passed the 18th of March, 1795, was called up, considered by section, amended, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company was called up, read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Tiebout presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the counties of Burlington, Monmouth and Middlesex, praying that the legislature would pass a law to straighten the road from Bordenton in the county of Burlington to South-Amboy, in the county of Middlesex ;

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Tiebout, Voorhees and Edsall, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Day, agreeably to leave given last sitting, presented a bill entitled An act for altering the boundary line between the counties of Essex and Somerset.

Which bill was read, disagreed to, and ordered to be dismissed, with leave for the petitioners to withdraw their papers.

Mr Colfax offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, or what alterations may be necessary in the law directing the descent of real estates, passed 24th May, 1780 ; which was read and disagreed to.

The bill entitled an Act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of New-Jersey, was taken up, read, and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

Mr Day presented a warrant of half pay in favor of Rachel Stivers, widow of Samuel Stivers, dec. the back of which being filled with endorsements, she prayed that the same might be renewed ; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That said warrant be renewed, and carried to Council for their concurrence.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, November 1, 1809.

Ten o'clock, the house met.

Mr Dubois from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Gideon H. Wells, also a counter memorial of Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill, reported,

That they are unanimously of opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the said Gideon H. Wells ;

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from Joseph Hill, an insolvent debtor confined in Hunterdon jail.

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr W. Coxe presented a memorial from the representatives of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for Pennsylvania, New-Jersey, &c. relative to the militia law.

Which memorial was read and referred to the military committee.

Mr W. Coxe also presented a petition from the president and directors of the Burlington turnpike company, praying that the legislature would grant them liberty to present a bill amendatory to their act of incorporation.

Which petition was read and leave given,

Whereupon, Mr W. Coxe presented a bill entitled An act to amend An act entitled An act to incorporate the Burlington turnpike company.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that this house are ready to go into a joint-meeting for the choice of a senator in congress on the part of this state to supply the vacancy made by the resignation of Aaron Kitchel, esq. and request council to appoint the time and place of said meeting.

Mr Kitchell presented a petition from the board of trustees of Queens College, praying that the legislature would pass a law to transfer the right which the state reserved to itself to subscribe to the capital stock in the bank of New-Brunswick to the said trustees.

Mr Colfax called up the bill entitled An act to empower the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Salem to erect a bridge over Salem creek near the fork thereof.

Which bill was considered by section, amended and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

Mr Wilson presented a memorial from Gideon H. Wells, on the subject of the report before the House on his application. Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr Vansyckel presented a petition from Martha Wilson and George C. Maxwell, guardians of Charles S. Stewart and Robert Stewart, minors, and children of Samuel R. Stewart, esq. dec. praying that the legislature would pass a law to enable them so sell and convey the real estate belonging to the said minors for the purpose of their maintenance and education.

Which petition was read and committee to Messrs W. Coxe, Vansyckel and Boice.

Mr Squier presented a petition from a committee appointed by the inhabitants of the township of Newark at their annual town meeting, praying that a law may be passed to enable the inhabitants of the said township to sell and dispose of a certain lot of land known by the name of the watering place, and to appropriate the monies arising therefrom to some permanent public use in the town plat of the said township, with permission to present a bill for that purpose.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Squier, Richman and Stout.

Mr Bateman presented several petitions from inhabitants of Cumberland county praying for a law to erect a bridge over Cohansey creek at Greenwich, in the said county ;

Which petitions were read and committed to Messrs Bateman, Hankinson and Crane.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to revive and extend the insolvent act of Mach 18th, 1795, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows



## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
Colfax,  
Condict,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,

Messrs Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Pearson,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs C. Clark,  
Parker,

Messrs Post,  
Vandueyn,

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council will go into a joint-meeting for the purpose of choosing a senator in the room of Aaron Kitchell, esq. resigned, tomorrow at four o'clock in the afternoon in the assembly-room.

Mr Kitchell called up the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike bill, which was considered by section, amended, and after considerable debate, was ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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THURSDAY, November 2.

Ten o'clock, the house met.

Stephen Dod, esq. as a representative from the county

Morris appeared in the house, produced a certificate of his election, was duly qualified and took his seat.

Mr Day from the committee on that item of the governor's message, marked H, reported,

That on the fourth day of December, 1807, a law was passed authorising the governor to sell the right which this state held to subscribe fifty thousand dollars to the capital stock of the Jersey bank for the sum of four thousand dollars, and on the 12th day of August, 1809, the governor did sell said right, to George C. Barber for the above sum, which was paid to Peter Gordon, Treasurer.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

Mr Tiebout from the committee on that subject presented a bill entitled An act to straighten the road from Bordenton in the county of Burlington to South-Amboy in the county of Middlesex, &c.

Which bill was read, ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to empower the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Salem, to erect a bridge over Salem creek near the fork thereof, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

Mr W. Coxe, called up the bill entitled An act to amend An act entitled "An act to incorporate the Burlington turnpike company."

Which bill was considered by section, amended and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Kitchell called up the memorial from the trustees of Queens college,

Whereupon, Mr Wilson moved the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the memorial from the trustees of Queens College, New-Brunswick, praying the legislature to transfer to them the right of the state to subscribe to the New-Brunswick Bank, be committed, and the committee instructed to report what is the amount the state have a right to subscribe to said bank ; what is the present value of said right as far as they can ascertain the same, and such other facts as they may deem necessary for the information of the House.

Which resolution was read and with the memorial committed to Messrs Kitchell, Parker and Day.

Mr Bateman called up the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Fairfield manufacturing company ;

Which bill was considered by section, amended and ordered to be engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed a bill entitled An act for the constituting and appointing a trustee to fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of John Wild, dec. to which bill they request the concurrence of the house of assembly.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to amend An act entitled An act to incorporate the Burlington turnpike company, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was determinined in the affirmative as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,

Messrs J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Cran,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,

## YEAS.

Messrs Doughty,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kitchel,  
Parker,  
Post,

Messrs Richman,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead.

## NAYS.

Messrs Dubois,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Smith,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Kitchell presented a memorial from the president and directors of the Washington turnpike company, and sundry inhabitants of the counties of Morris, Sussex and Hunterdon, praying that the legislature would appoint and authorize the commissioners named in the act to incorporate the Washington turnpike company or such other commissioners as they shall think proper, to examine and relay the said Washington turnpike road, on such ground as they shall deem most advantageous to the interests of the public and the stockholders in said road, and that the road so by them to be laid may be confirmed in all respects as if the same had been laid out, returned and recorded agreeably to the original corporation.

Which memorial was read and committed to Messrs Dod, Colfax and Edsall.

The speaker informed the house that he had a letter in his possession from Peter Gordon, esq. treasurer of the state, stating that from the large drafts made on the treasury by the citizens of Bergen county within the year past for abandoned



blacks amounting to upwards of \$ 7,000 ; he suspects that they must have misconstrued the law on that subject, &c.

Which letter was read and committed to Messrs Whitehead, Post and Kennedy,

Whereupon, Mr Død introduced the following resolution :

Whereas it appears to this house that there is reason to suspect that large sums have been drawn from the treasury for the support of black children, contrary to the true intent and meaning of the act for the gradual abolition of slavery ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of this state be directed to suspend all further payments in all doubtful cases for the support of abandoned blacks, until otherwise directed by the legislature.

Which resolution was read, agreed to, and ordered to be sent to council for their concurrence.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed a bill entitled An act to erect and set off a new township from the township of Springfield, in the county of Essex, to which bill they request the concurrence of the house of assembly.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The report of the committee on the memorials of Gideon H. Wells, and Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill, was called up, considered, and agreed to by the house, and leave given them to withdraw their papers.

Mr Vansyckel moved the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the speaker of this house, and in case of his death or inability, the person administering the government of this state have power to convene the general assembly during the session, whenever any extraordinary occasion shall in his opinion render it necessary, by causing public notice to be given of the time when the general assembly may be required to meet in the several news-papers of this state four weeks immediately preceding such time of meeting, and by written notice to the several members.

Which resolution was read and agreed to by the House.

The resolution which lay on the table relative to adding an amendment to the standing rules of the house was called up, considered and disagreed to.

Mr Colfax presented a petition from the board of freeholders in the county of Bergen enumerating the difficulties under which the good people of the said county labor in several particulars, and soliciting the legislature to take into consideration their grievances, and grant them speedy relief in the premises ;

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Colfax, Voorhees and Squier.

Council came into the Assembly room, and the two Houses went into joint-meeting ; and after going thro' their business, rose—and the House resumed its sitting.

Mr Squier called up the bill for altering the time of holding the circuit court and the court of oyer and terminer in Essex county ;

Which bill was read and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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### FRIDAY, *November 3.*

Ten o'clock—the house met.

Mr Holmes from the committee on that subject reported a bill supplementary to the act relative to the laying out, vacating and altering of roads passed December 3, 1807.

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr W. Coxe with leave presented a bill entitled An act to incorporate the owners of certain natural privileges in the county of Cape-May for certain purposes.

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Squier from the committee on that subject reported a bill entitled An act to enable the inhabitants of the township of Newark to sell a lot of land therein mentioned.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from council entitled an act to fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of John Wild deceased, was called up and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled an act to incorporate the Fairfield manufacturing company, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,

Messrs Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

### NAY.

Mr Parker.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

Mr Tiebout from the committee on that subject reported a bill entitled an act to appoint commissioners to straighten the road from Bordentown to South-Amboy, and to vacate



such parts of the present road as may be necessary.

Which bill was read, amended and postponed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

Mr Kitchel from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Trustees of Queen's College and the resolution of Mr Wilson relative thereto, reported,

That the State is entitled to subscribe 500 shares of 50 dollars each.

That late sales of the stock of said bank have been made at an advance of 12 dollars per share—That a dividend will be made on the shares now subscribed and paid in, on the 1st of December next, probably to the amount of two dollars on a share, which would reduce the shares to about 10 dollars. That the Bank of New Brunswick may by law encrease their shares to 2000 which would double the present stock of the bank—And the holders of shares now subscribed are entitled exclusively to the right to subscribe the additional shares whenever the bank shall open the new subscription. That if the new subscription were now to take place the purchaser of a share would pay in fact 12 dollars advance on two shares, or six dollars on each share—But as that subscription is not expected to take place soon, the value of this right is lessened and may be reckoned at three dollars per share—The shares of the State if subscribed and paid would have no right of further subscription attached to them—And being entitled if now subscribed to no part of the expected dividend may be estimated at seven dollars per share—equal to \$ 3,500.

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr Dod from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the president and directors of the Washington turnpike company, reported,

That in their opinion the petitioners ought to have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of the petition.

Which report was read and agreed to.



Mr Colfax presented a petition from Alexander James of the county of Bergen, praying for reasons therein set forth that the legislature would pass a law to make valid certain deeds.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Colfax, Charles Clark and Brick.

The House adjourned to three o'clock on Monday afternoon.

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### MONDAY, *November 6.*

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Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

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A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have concurred in the resolution of the house of assembly directing the treasurer, in all doubtful cases, to suspend further payments for the support of abandoned blacks.

Also that council had passed the bill from the house of assembly entitled an act to enable the chosen freeholders of the county of Gloucester to build a draw-bridge over Great-Mantua Creek, at a place called Crown-Point, with amendments—Which amendments were read, agreed to and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr Dod agreeably to leave given, brought in a bill entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Washington turnpike company, passed the 3d day of March 1806.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wilson with leave presented a bill entitled an act to incorporate the Flemington aqueduct company. Which bill was read, whereupon,

*Ordered,* That the said bill have a second reading on Wednesday the 15th instant ; and that meantime public notice, by advertisements set up in three of the most public places in Flemington, be given thereof.

Mr Wilson also presented a petition from a number of the

inhabitants of New Brunswick in support of the application of the trustees of Queens College.

Which petition was ordered to be read with the second reading of the report on the said memorial.

Mr Parker presented a petition from John Thomas Halstead praying that the legislature would pass a law to enable him to hold and convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which petition was read and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of Alexander James, who were instructed to inquire into the propriety of reporting a general law on that subject.

Mr Dod called up No. 11 of the unfinished business—being a resolution to establish a permanent and general system of education by law, &c.

Which resolution was read and committed to Messrs Dod, W. Coxe, Whitehead, Simpson and Wilson—with leave to report by bill.

The supplement to the act relative to laying out vacating and altering of roads passed December 3d 1807, was taken up, and after some time employed therein, dismissed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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## TUESDAY, *November 7.*

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Ten o'clock, the House met.

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Mr Bateman from the committee to whom was referred petitions from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county praying for a law to erect a bridge over Cohansey creek at Greenwich, reported,

That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition on the second Wednesday of next session, previously advertising the purport of the bill they mean to present, four weeks in three of the most public places in each of the townships of Greenwich and Fairfield, and also in each of the newspapers printed at Trenton.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Kerr from the committee to whom was committed the petitions of sundry inhabitants from Sussex county, praying a law may be passed to extend the Morris turnpike from some place at or near the 34 mile post to the water-gap, reported a bill to that effect.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from the legal representatives of Hannah Preston, widow of Col Isaac Preston deceased. Which was read and committed to Messrs Vanduyn, Wilson and Bateman, with instruction to report a statement of facts on that subject.

Mr Wilson offered the following resolution,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to examine and report to this house whether any, and if any what alterations are necessary to be made in the "Act respecting slaves," passed March 14th 1798, with leave to report by bill.

Which resolution was read, agreed to and committed to Messrs Kitchel, Voorhees and Kerr.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed a bill from this house entitled An act to empower the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Salem to erect a bridge over Salem creek near the forks thereof, with an amendment; to which amendment they request the concurrence of this house.

Which amendment was read and agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr Dod, agreeably to leave given presented a bill entitled a supplement to the Washington turnpike.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled an act to enable the chosen freeholders of the county of Gloucester to build a draw-bridge over Great-Mantua-Creek at a place called Crown-point was taken up, compared—And on the question,

Shall this re-engrossed bill pass? It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.



*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house and that they have caused the said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Washington turnpike company was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for the sale of the real estate of John Van Allen deceased, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

Mr W. Coxe from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the guardians of the infant children of Samuel R. Stewart, deceased, praying a law may be passed authorizing the sale of the estate of said infant children, reported,

That the will of the said Samuel R. Stewart devises the property in question to his two sons as joint tenants, but if either should die under twenty-one, the said property goes to the survivor—but should both die under twenty-one, the estate is devised to certain persons whose interest would be affected by any law which might be passed—As they have not assented to the application, it does not appear to your committee that it would be proper to comply with the prayer of the petitioners.

Which report was read, agreed to by the House, and the petition dismissed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon, the house met.



Mr Stryker, from the military committee, reported,

That they conceive the improvement of our militia system requires that the fines for delinquencies be augmented.

They therefore submit the following amendments for the approbation of the house.

1st. That every minor, or person under the age of twen-



ty-one years and every person above thirty-five and under 45 years of age shall have the privilege of exemption from common militia duty for the ensuing year by paying into the hands of the battalion paymaster the sum of two dollars annually in the month of February, and that all persons between the age of twenty-one and thirty-five shall be entitled to the same privileges by paying in manner as aforesaid, the sum of eight dollars.

2d. That every person under the age of twenty-five who shall enrol himself in any uniform corps, fully equip himself and continue faithfully to do the duties required of him by the militia laws of the state for ten years, shall after having so served be excused ever after from common militia duty.

3d. That instead of three there shall be four days of militia duty.

4th. That the fines of delinquents for each day appointed for training shall be two dollars on every private, and on officers in proportion.

5th. That no person shall be imprisoned for any delinquent fine or fines.

6th. That some check be provided for the expenditures of the public monies by the board of general and field officers, and some method devised to ensure the paying forward any balances due or which may from time to time become due from any of the brigade boards into the treasury.

7th. That the act entitled an act for training and conducting the military force of New Jersey be revised.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled an act to alter the time of holding the April and September terms of the circuit court, and the court of oyer and terminer &c. in the county of Essex, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon was disagreed to.

Mr Colfax reported a bill entitled an act for the relief of Alexander James, also a bill entitled An act for the relief of the freeholders and inhabitants of the county of Bergen.

Which bills were read, and ordered second readings.

Mr Irick, with leave presented a bill entitled an act for the preservation of timber.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr Brick presented a petition relative to the same subject.

Which petition was read and ordered a second reading with the bill.

The bill from council entitled an act to erect and set off a new township from the township of Springfield in the county of Essex was taken up, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

The report of the committee on the memorial from the trustees of Queen's College was taken up, and together with said memorial, and a petition in support thereof, was read a second time, and, after some discussion,

On the question, Shall leave be given to present a bill ?

The yeas and nays being called for—It was determined in the negative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
Colfax,  
W. Coxe,  
Irick,  
Kitchell,  
Parker,

Messrs Pearson,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyu,  
Voorhees.

#### NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,

Messrs Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Post,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

*Ordered*, That the said application be dismissed.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

**WEDNESDAY, November 8,**

Ten o'clock, the house met.

Mr Wilson from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act for the suppression of vice and immorality, with the petitions in support thereof, reported the said bill with sundry amendments ;

Which bill and amendments were read, ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows ;

**YEAS.**

Messrs Bateman,

Boice,

Brick,

J. V. Clark,

Colfax,

W. Coxe,

Crane,

Dod,

Doughty,

Earl,

Edsall,

Hopper,

Messrs Holmes,

Irick,

Kitchell,

Parker,

Pearson,

Post,

Simpson,

Squier,

Stryker,

Vanduyne,

Voorhees.

**NAYS.**

Messrs C. Clark,

J. Cox,

Curriden,

Day,

Dubois,

Hankinson,

Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,

Smith,

Stout,

Tiebout,

Vansyckel,

Whitehead,

Wilson.



*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill from council entitled An act to erect and set off a new township from the township of Springfield in the county of Essex was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

Mr Parker presented a petition from the children and devisees of John Ogden, deceased, praying that the legislature would pass a law to authorize the sale of the real estate of said deceased.

Which petition was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Post presented a petition from the relations and guardians of the orphan children of Derrick C. Westervelt, deceased, praying that a law may be passed by the legislature to appoint trustees and invest them with power to sell the real estate of said deceased, for the benefit of those concerned.

Which petition was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr J. V. Clark presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the counties of Gloucester and Salem requesting permission of the legislature to present a bill for certain purposes.

On leave being given, Mr J. V. Clark presented a bill entitled An act concerning the marsh and meadow lying between the fast land of Mahlon Haines, on the river Delaware, and the fast land of John Somers on Oldman's creek in the township of Upper Penn's-Neck in the county of Salem.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, together with the petition.

The bill for the sale of the government house and lot in the city of Trenton was taken up, and on motion to strike



out the first section, after considerable discussion it was carried, and the bill ordered to be dismissed.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

Mr Colfax agreeably to leave given reported a bill entitled An act for the relief of John Thomas Halstead ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Kitchell from the committee to whom was referred the resolution, that a committee be appointed to examine and report whether any, and if any what alterations are necessary to be made in the act respecting slaves, passed March 14, 1798, &c. reported,

That they have examined the law referred to therein and are unanimously of opinion that any alteration therein is unnecessary at this time.

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

Whereupon, Mr Parker offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the committee to whom was referred to examine the “ Act for the gradual abolition of slavery,” be instructed to enquire into the propriety of amending said act so as to prevent persons born free under said act, or manumitted according to law, from being kidnapped and sold as slaves.

Which resolution was read and agreed to.

Mr Wilson agreeably to leave given, presented a bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware at Mitchell's and Howell's ferry.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Kerr from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware and for other purposes, passed November 26, 1808.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled *A supplement to the act entitled An act to incorporate the Washington turnpike company*, passed the 3d day of March 1806, was read a third and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Boise,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,

Messrs Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead.

### NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Curriden,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled *An act to appoint commissioners to straighten the road from Bordentown to South Amboy, and to vacate such parts of the present road as may be necessary*, was taken up, and after considerable discussion thereon,

*Ordered*, That said bill be dismissed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, *November 9.*

Ten o'clock, the house met.

Mr Vandayn, from the committee on the memorial and petition of the legal representatives of Hannah Preston, deceased, agreeably to their instructions, reported the following statement of facts :

That Major Isaac Preston was appointed Colonel of the first regiment of Cumberland militia on the fourth day of February, 1777—

That on the day following Col. Preston received orders to repair to the lines, and take charge of the militia of Cumberland county which he should find there, and of such as should from time to time arrive—

That Col. Preston did accordingly repair immediately to the lines on the Raritan near New-Brunswick—

That on or about the 21st day of February 1777, the said Col. Preston, having returned to camp from an expedition against the enemy, was seized with a violent sickness, alleged to have been brought on by the fatigue of said expedition—

That of this illness Col. Preston died in his quarters on or about the 5th day of March in the same year—

That owing to the neglect as is alleged of those entrusted with the business, by Hannah Preston, widow of Col. Isaac Preston, no application for the half pay due to her according to law, was made during her life time.

That in September of the year 1797, application was made by the executors of the said Hannah Preston to the court of quarter sessions of the county of Cumberland, for the half-pay due to her as widow of Col. Isaac Preston, under the act of this state passed June 10, 1779—

That the said court, upon the evidence produced before them, did adjudge to the executors of the said Hannah Preston an allowance of half-pay from the sixth day of March 1777, during her widowhood—

That upon the adjudication, application was made to the legislature of this state, for aid and relief ; but that the legis



ture decided against the application, as your committee are informed, upon an opinion that the claim was properly against the United States—

That application was then made to congress for remedy— but that congress dismissed the application on the ground that the claim was against the state of New-Jersey, and that the laws of this state afforded relief—

That the documents before the house fully prove that the present applicant, Ezekiel Foster, esq. is the legal attorney or representative of the heirs of Hannah Preston, widow of col. Isaac Preston, dec.

Your committee submit to the house the question—Shall the applicant have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of the petition ?

Which report was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

The petition from the children and devisees of John Ogden, dec. was read a second time and dismissed, and leave given the petitioners to withdraw their papers.

Mr Irick presented a petition from the inhabitants of the township of Little Egg-Harbor in the county of Burlington, praying that the legislature would alter the law for the preservation of oysters.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Earl, Tiebout and Voorhees, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Wilson, with leave, presented a bill entitled An act respecting slaves, servants for years, free negroes and persons of colour.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr W. Coxe offered the following resolution,

*Resolved,* That the governor be requested and authorized to employ some competent person at the expence of the state to lay down and exhibit in one view and on one uniform scale, a draught of every turnpike road in this state, which



has been or which may be returned to the secretary's office prior to the next meeting of the legislature, together with such explanations as in his opinion may be necessary to illustrate the same, and that such person may have access free of expence to the records in the secretary's office in office hours ;

Which resolution was read, agreed to and ordered to be sent to council for their concurrence.

Mr Squier presented a petition from a committee of the township of Orange in the county of Essex, praying for reasons therein set forth, that the legislature would not pass any law respecting the land in the town platt of Newark, known by the name of the watering place, unless the monies expended by the inhabitants of the township of Orange in behalf of the same, be refunded.

Which petition was read and with the bill committed to Messrs Squier, Richman and Stout.

Mr W. Coxe withleave, presented a bill entitled An act to repeal part of the eighteenth section of the act making provision for making and repairing the highways, passed the 16th day of March, 1798.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled " An act for suppressing vice and immorality," passed March 16, 1798, was taken up, considered by section, amended and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware and for other purposes, passed November 26, 1808, was taken up, considered by section, amended and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon, the house met.

Mr Kerr from the committee on that subject reported a bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Elizabeth-Town in

the county of Essex, thro' Morristown in the county of Morris, and from thence into the county of Sussex.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Bateman from the committee to whom was referred the items in the governor's message marked F and G relating to the purchase, mounting, &c. of Field Artillery, and the deficiencies of military fines in the treasury, to defray the expences thereof, beg leave to report, (agreeably to their instructions) the following statement of facts, viz :

1. That upon examining the law entitled, " An act to procure field artillery, &c. they find that the first section authorized and requires the commander in chief to procure for and in behalf of the state of New-Jersey, twenty-four pieces of field artillery (of such caliber as he may approve) either of brass or wrought iron complete for the field, and distribute the same, &c. And by the 2nd section he is authorised to draw on the treasury for the above purpose, to any amount not exceeding the sum now actually therein arising from military fines and forfeitures.

2. That soon after the passage of the above recited act, the Governor commenced a correspondence with Major General Helms, then attending congress, and other persons, the object of which appeared to be, 1st, to obtain the opinions of military men, respecting the two kinds of pieces mentioned in the law, and 2nd. to ascertain at what place they could be purchased at most advantage.

3. The result of those inquiries was, that wrought iron pieces were not to be found in the United States, that the price of brass had greatly enhanced, and could not be procured for less than seventy cents per pound, which for six pounders would amount to four hundred and fifty dollars each. That the late Secretary at war and Gen. Wilkinson preferred and recommended those cast at Foxall's foundery near Georgetown, being the same kind of those used in the service of the United States and quite as light as the brass of the same caliber.

4. It appears in consequence of this information and recommendation, the governor was induced to purchase the

whole twenty-four pieces of Mr Foxall for which he paid seventy dollars each, making a difference in the first cost in their favor of nine thousand one hundred and twenty dollars.

5. That the contract for mounting the artillery at one hundred and twenty-four dollars was the lowest offer made by the several applicants, which contract is carefully drawn, and security given for the performance.

6. The governor had a caisson or ammunition waggon made at Baltimore, under the superintendence of Lieutenant Swearingen of the artillery of the United States, like those made for and in the service of the United States; together with harness for four horses, and two postillion saddles, which cost three hundred and eighty eight dollars. That a contract to make eleven similar to the same, has been made, at three hundred and ten dollars each and conditionally for the other twelve at the same price, provided notice is given on or before the first day of December next.

7. Twenty-four sets of double artillery harness and postillion saddles, have also been contracted for at the sum of one thousand four hundred and sixty-four dollars. The double set of harness, and postillion saddles are represented as necessary to equip the artillery to operate as flying or horse artillery.

8. A statement of the treasurer goes to shew that there is in the treasury, ten thousand nine hundred and seventy-three dollars nineteen cents which has arisen from military fines, from all which the committee deduce the following calculation, viz :

Militia fines,	\$ 10,973 19
Twenty-four 6 pounders at 70 dollars each,	\$ 1680
Contract for mounting do. at 124 dollars each,	2976
Ammunition waggon, made at Baltimore,	388
Contract for making 11 do. at 310 dollars each,	3410
Twenty four set of double artillery	



harness, and 48 postillion saddles, 1464

\$ 10,718

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\$ 255 19

Exclusive of contingent expences of transportation, &c. and of the necessary equipments of rammers, sponges, buckets, brocoles, &c. for which contracts have not yet been made.

And exclusive of 12 caissons, or ammunition waggons conditionally contracted for as aforesaid, at 310 dollars each, is \$ 3720.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled "An act for the preservation of timber," was read a second time, considered by section, amended, and after considerable discussion ordered to be engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed a bill entitled An act to authorise the building of a lock in the river Delaware, for the improvement of the navigation thereof, to which bill they request the concurrence of this house ;

Also that council have passed a bill from the house of Assembly entitled An act to amend an act to incorporate the Burlington turnpike company, without amendment.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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### FRIDAY, *November 10.*

Ten o'clock—the house met.

The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled An act for the suppression of vice and immorality," passed March 16th, 1798, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,

Messrs C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,



## YEAS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAY.

Mr Earl.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the preservation of timber," was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the negative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
W. Coxe,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Holmes,  
Irick,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs C. Clark,  
Colfax,

Messrs J. Cox,  
Crane,

## NAYS.

Messrs Curriden,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Kitchell,  
Post,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead.

*Ordered,* That said bill be dismissed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware and for other purposes, passed November 26, 1808, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Edsall,  
Dubois,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
Doughty,  
Earl,  
Irick,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the townships of Bethlehem and Lebanon, in the county of Hunterdon, praying for reasons therein set forth that the legislature would repeal the tenth section of the New-Jersey turnpike law.

Which petition was read, and leave given to withdraw the same.

Mr Kennedy with leave, presented a bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed the fifteenth day of February 1804.

Which bill was read, ordered a second reading and meantime to be printed.

The report of the military committee was taken up, considered by items, and after making some progress therein,

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

Mr Whitehead from the committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer, made the following report, which was ordered to lie on the table for the inspection of the members—



*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer, in account with the state  
Being for receipts and disbursements from November 1, 1808,  
1808.*

	Dolls.	Cts.
<i>Nov.</i> 3. To cash received of Edward Condict, esq. late sheriff of Morris county, on account of fines recovered,	41	80
To do received of James Ewing, esq. on account of funded debt,	811	51
8. To do received of D. Carmichael, sheriff of Morris county, on account of fines,	102	25
9. To do received of John Gustin, sheriff of Sussex county, on account of do.	28	50
To do received of Henry Van Derveer, sheriff of Somerset, on account of do.	95	00
To amount of tax payable the 19th Jan. next,	25,000	00
22. To cash received of A. Mercer, esq. being a dividend on turnpike road,	300	00
25. To do received of Nathan Squier, late sheriff of Essex, on account of fines,	49	40
26. To do received of J. J. Wilson, clerk of Assembly for private laws,	29	00
29. To do received of the collector of Monmouth, on account of the arrearages of tax due from said county,	2,277	73
<i>Jan.</i> 2. To do received of John Brick, esq. executor of Edward Vaughen, dec. formerly sheriff of Gloucester, on account of fines,	100	00
3. To do received of James Ewing, esq. on account of funded debt,	1,792	11
13. To do received of Samuel Swan, esq. late sheriff of Somerset, on account of fines,	11	64
25. To do received of Isaac Pierson, sheriff of Essex for do.	120	57
<i>Feb.</i> 23. To do received of James Lloyd, esq.		
Carried forward,	30,759	51



*of New-Jersey,*  
*to November 1, 1809.*  
 1808.

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Dolls. Cts

Nov. 8. By cash paid for 1 abandoned black in Somerset county,	48 00
By do paid conveying a prisoner from Bergen county,	35 94
9. By do paid Phebe Little for 9 months pension,	110 00
10. By do paid for 3 inquisitions in Essex county,	35 39
By do paid Thomas Skillman for three months pension,	10 00
By do paid for inquisitions in Hunterdon county,	43 20
By do paid for one abandoned black in Hunterdon county,	36 00
19. By do paid for 1 do in do	33 80
21. By do paid Lydia Whitlock for 9 months pension,	180 00
25. By do paid for abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	1,296 00
By do paid for do do in Somerset county,	235 70
By do paid Thomas Havens for three months pension,	10 00
26. By do paid the Members of the Legislature,	4,572 55½
By do paid Daniel Coleman for engrossing,	45 60
By do paid William Gould, door-keeper,	39 55
By do paid do do for cutting wood, &c. per incidental bill,	28 60
By do paid J. J. Wilson, for printing public bills, &c. per do	81 60
By do paid do as clerk of Assembly,	88 11
By do paid John Bellerjeau, door-keeper for council,	39 54

Carried forward,

6969 58

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,*  
1808.

*Account Continued.*

	Dolls.	Cts.
To amount brought forward,	30,759	51
sheriff of Monmouth county, on account of fines,	137	89
<i>Mar.</i> 1. To do received of Timothy Elmer, esq. late sheriff of Cumberland, on account of do.	19	95
<i>April</i> 8. To do received of James Ewing, esq. on account of funded debt,	811	51
18. To do received of Jacob S. Thompson for court fines charged to his father, Mark Thompson, esq. deceased,	100	00
<i>July</i> 7. To do received of James Ewing, esq. on account of funded debt,	811	51
10. To do received of A. Mercer, esq. being a dividend on turnpike road,	327	50
21. To do received of Joseph Annin, esq. formerly sheriff of Somerset, on account of fines,	80	00
<i>Aug.</i> 8. To do received of A. D. Woodruff, esq. in part of the debt due from Samuel P. Forman, esq. formerly sheriff of Monmouth, on account of fines, &c. recovered of said Forman's sureties,	232	29
15. To do received of George C. Barber, for the right of shares in the Jersey Bank conveyed to him,	4600	00
<i>Sept.</i> 5. To do received of Thomas Bines, esq. sheriff of Salem, for court fines,	56	05
<i>Oct.</i> 4. To do received of Archibald Mercer, esq. being a dividend on the turnpike road,	325	00
24. To do received of A. D. Woodruff, esq. on account of a debt due from Samuel P. Forman, dec. formerly sheriff, of Monmouth county, & of his sureties,	170	00
27. To do received of Israel Harris, esq. sheriff of Somerset county, for court		
Carried forward,	37,831	21

## CONTRA.

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Dolls. Cts.

1808.	By amount brought forward,	6969 58½
	fines,	12 35
	By cash paid James Johnson for work done at the state-house, per inci. bill.	23 00
	By do paid Ellett Howell for stationary, &c. per incidental bill,	59 40
	By do paid Charles Rice for candles, per do.	3 74
	By do paid John R. Smith for sundries, per do.	6 65
	By do paid John Johnson, clerk of Sussex county, per do.	48 00
	By do paid Abraham Woolley for services, per do.	57 81
	By do paid Merriman Smith, clerk of Salem county, per do.	44 80
	By do paid Joseph Doty, clerk of Somerset county, per do.	20 48
	By do paid John Frelinghuysen, esq. per do.	8 39
	By do paid George Anderson, esq. for wood, per do.	68 94
	By do paid Abijah Smith, clerk of Cape-May, per do.	105 00
	By do paid Henry Van Dolsem, clerk of Bergen county, per do.	42 24
	By do paid Gov. Bloomfield for repairs, per do.	426 40
	By do paid Silas Condit, clerk of Essex, per do.	41 50
29.	By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 months pension,	112 50
	By do paid P. Gordon, Ellett Tucker & J. J. Wilson, for repairs done for state-house, per incidental bill,	241 56
	Carried forward,	8279 99½
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*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account Continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56



## CONTRA,

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		Dolls.	Cts.
1808.	By amount brought forward,	8279	99½
30.	By cash paid Alexander Chambers for sundries, per incidental bill,	6	96
	By do paid Samuel Paxson for sundries, per do.	27	58
	By do paid Selah Belden, per do.	3	92
	By do paid Thomas Ryall, per do.	214	26
Dec. 7.	By do paid John Russel for six months pension,	18	00
	By do paid the Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States,	128	22
16.	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Salem county,	39	02
20.	By do paid Rachel Stivers for 6 months pension,	20	00
23.	By do paid James Oram for binding laws, &c. per inci. bill,	20	37
26.	By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Somerset county,	44	40
	By do paid William Hyer, clerk of the Supreme Court, for repairs done to his office, per inci. bill,	130	26
1809.			
Jan. 2.	By do paid for 4 inquisitions in Monmouth county,	64	87
	By do paid for 22 do in Gloucester do.	256	33
7.	By do paid for 2 do in Burlington do.	30	99
	By do paid Hunt & Howell for sundries, per incidental bill,	7	27
9.	By do paid for 5 inquisitions in Salem county,	52	15
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	975	00
12.	By do paid for do in Middlesex do.	288	00
13.	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Somerset county,	33	16
	Carried forward,	10,640	75½

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56

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Dolls. Cts.

1809.	By amount brought forward,	10640 75½
16.	By cash paid for 4 inquisitions in Cumberland county,	60 27
	By do paid Mary M'Myer for three months pension,	60 00
19.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	1415 45
	By do paid for 7 inquisitions in Bergen county,	102 00
	By do paid for one abandoned black in Sussex county,	36 00
	By do paid Lydia Wood for 1 years pension,	40 00
	By do paid for 2 inquisitions in Sussex county,	20 21
24.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Essex county,	684 00
25.	By do paid for 3 inquisitions in Essex county,	46 27
	By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Essex county,	36 00
	By do paid for conveying a prisoner from Essex county,	26 42
	By do paid for 3 inquisitions in Morris county,	41 59
	By do paid Thomas Skillman for three months pension,	10 00
	By do paid James Linn, esq. secretary of Council for his services during the last session,	96 12
Feb. 1.	By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Somerset county,	39 60
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Somerset county,	12 30
7.	By do paid John Sunderland, per inci. bill,	1 00
Carried forward,		<hr/> 13,367 98½

*Dr Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56



## CONTRA.

		<i>Cr.</i> Dolla. Cts.
1809.	By amount brought forward,	13,367 98½
	9. By cash paid Elizabeth Dugan for 11 months pension,	36 67
	By do paid for 1 inquisition in Middlesex county,	16 19
	17. By do paid John Russel for 3 months pension,	9 00
	By do paid Thomas Havens for three months pension,	10 00
<i>Mar.</i>	1. By do paid conveying a prisoner from Cumberland county,	20 35
	By do paid Azel Pierson, clerk of Cumberland, per incidental bill,	69 20
	By do paid for one inquisition in Monmouth county,	11 89
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	525 37
	By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 months pension,	112 50
	4. By do paid for one abandoned black in Somerset county,	36 00
	11. By do paid Shepard Kollock for printing Journals of Council,	221 00
	25. By do paid for abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	714 00
	29. By do paid George Sherman for papers per incidental bill,	10 20
<i>April</i>	1. By do paid James Linn, esq. secretary of state, for issuing commissions, &c.	125 30
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Middlesex county,	11 90
	3. By do paid Unice Platt for 10 months pension,	33 33
	6. By do paid for abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	1125 06
	Carried forward,	16,465 94½

*Dr Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward; 37,843 56

## CONTRA.

Cr.

		Dolls.	Cts
1809.	By amount brought forward,	16,465	94
	By cash paid for 1 abandoned black in Middlesex county,	36	50
18.	By do paid William Tuttle & Co. for printing reports,	206	25
	By do paid Mary M'Myer for 3 months pension,	60	00
20.	By do paid for 2 inquisitions in Bergen county,	26	65
	By do paid Lydia Westbrook for 6 mo. pension,	60	00
	By do paid for four abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	363	20
21.	By do paid for do do in Hunterdon do.	194	17
	By do paid for do do in Somerset do.	102	00
24.	By do paid for conveying a prisoner from Essex county,	20	30
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	288	00
	By do paid Rebecca Dennis for six months pension,	120	00
26.	By do paid Keziah Albertson for one years pension,	40	00
	By do paid J. J. Wilson for printing the laws and votes,	450	00
27.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	100	50
28.	By do paid for 5 abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	426	15
29.	By do paid for do do in Middlesex county,	360	00
May 1.	By do paid distributing the laws, votes, journals and reports,	65	00
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Monmouth county,	11	90
	Carried forward,	19,396	56

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56



## CONTRA.

Cr.

		Dolls.	Cts.
1809.	By amount brought forward,	19,396	56
	By cash paid for one abandoned black in Middlesex county,	36	80
3.	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Middlesex county,	6	20
	By do paid Thomas Skillman for three months pension,	10	00
10.	By do paid for one inquisition in Monmouth county,	14	06
	By do paid William P. Deare, clerk of Middlesex county, per incidental bill,	28	80
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	47	25
	By do paid for do do in do county,	144	00
12.	By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 months pension,	112	50
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Somerset county,	40	50
13.	By do paid for 3 inquisitions in Monmouth county,	35	39
16.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Hunterdon county,	216	00
	By do paid for do do in Bergen do.	268	85
17.	By do paid Thomas Havens for three months pension,	10	00
	By do paid Sarah Wood for 8 months pension,	26	67
19.	By do paid Governor Bloomfield for six months salary,	900	00
	By do paid P. Gordon, Treasurer for 6 months do.	500	00
22.	By do paid Lydia Whitlock for 1 years pension,	160	00
	By do paid for one abandoned black in Hunterdon county,	36	00
	Carried forward,	21,989	58

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account Continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56

## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1809.	By amount brought forward,	21,989 58
25.	By cash paid the Members of the court of appeal,	374 31
	By do paid John Bellerjeau, sergeant at arms,	12 43
	By do paid for 1 inquisition in Essex co.	12 49
	By do paid for 1 do in do co.	16 49
31.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Hunterdon county,	116 70
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Sussex county,	82 50
<i>June</i> 2.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	130 00
	By do paid Rachel Stivers for 6 months pension,	20 00
8.	By do paid for one abandoned black in Somerset county,	36 00
13.	By do paid for 1 do do in Essex county,	36 00
16.	By do paid for conveying a prisoner from Cape-May,	46 50
17.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Som- erset county,	222 00
20.	By do paid for 1 do do in Essex county,	30 00
	By do paid for conveying a prisoner from Cumberland county,	28 66
	By do paid for conveying one do from Salem county,	29 52
26.	By do paid John Russell for 3 months pension,	9 00
29.	By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Morris county,	29 50
<i>July</i> 1.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Ber- gen county,	153 00
	By do paid for do do in do.	94 75
	By do paid James Linn, esq. for attend- ing court of appeal,	25 53
Carried forward,		<hr/> 23,444 96

*Dr Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56



## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1809.	By amount brought forward,	23,444	96
	6. By cash paid conveying a prisoner from Essex county,	19	20
	10. By do paid Elizabeth Rue for 9 months pension,	30	00
	14. By do paid conveying a prisoner from Bergen,	40	60
	By do paid Mary M'Myer for 3 months pension,	60	00
	21. By do paid for 9 inquisitions in Burling- ton county,	96	40
Aug.	1. By do paid for abandoned blacks in Ber- gen county,	165	00
	8. By do paid the executors of Thomas M. Potter, deceased, per inci. bill,	6	98
	9. By do paid Thomas Skillman for three months pension,	10	00
	15. By do paid Mrs Barber for 3 months pension,	112	50
	21. By do paid for 4 inquisitions in Essex county,	53	14
	By do paid for 1 abandoned black in Somerset county,	36	00
	By do paid Thomas Havens for three months pension,	10	00
	29. By do paid for 1 inquisition in Somerset county,	21	38
	By do paid Abigail Thomson for 1 years pension,	40	00
Sept.	5. By do paid Mary Winter for 18 months pension,	60	00
	By do paid for 1 inquisition in Sussex county,	19	50
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Salem county,	29	52
Carried forward,		24,255	18

*Dr Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56

## CONTRA.

Cr.

		Dolls.	Cts.
1809.	By amount brought forward,	24,255	18
	By cash paid for conveying a prisoner from Sussex county,	32	50
9.	By do paid Elizabeth Rue for 3 mo. pension,	10	00
11.	By do paid William S. Pennington, esq. for 6 months salary,	450	00
	By do paid do for attending circuit courts,	150	00
	By do paid do as law reporter,	50	00
	By do paid do for attending courts of chancery,	20	00
16.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Ber- gen county,	792	00
18.	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	55	10
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Middlesex county,	10	90
	By do paid John Bellerjeau sergeant at arms for attending courts,	37	00
26	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Salem county,	29	52
Oct. 2.	By do paid Unice Platt for 6 months pension,	20	90
10.	By do paid Mary M'Myer for three months pension,	60	00
17.	By do paid John Russel for 3 months pension,	9	00
18.	By do paid for 2 inquisitions in Hun- terdon county,	27	80
21	By do paid for one inquisition in Mon- mouth county,	16	83
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Bergen county,	21	64
24.	By do paid Rebecca Dennis for 6 mo. pension,	120	00
	Carried forward,	26,167	47

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account Continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward, 37,843 56

Carried forward, 37,843 56



## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts

1809.	By amount brought forward,	26,167	47
25	By cash paid for one abandoned black in Somerset county,	132	00
	By do paid conveying a prisoner from Somerset county,	12	30
27.	By do paid for 2 abandoned blacks in Bergen county,	220	00
	By do paid Rachel Stivers for 6 months pension,	20	00
	By do paid Thomas Skillman for 3 mo. pension,	10	00
20.	By do paid James J. Wilson for copying the laws & minutes for the press,	52	50
	By do paid for abandoned blacks in Middlesex county,	94	35
	By do paid Gov. Bloomfield for 6 mo. salary,	900	00
	By do paid Judge Kirkpatrick for one year do.	1000	00
	By do paid do for attending circuit courts,	150	00
Oct. 30.	By do paid Judge Rossell for one years salary,	900	00
	By do paid Judge Pennington, for 6 mo. do.	450	00
	By do paid Peter Gordon, Treasurer, for 6 months do.	500	00
	By do paid A. D. Woodruff, attorney-general, for 1 years do.	80	00
	Carried forward,	30,688	62

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer,**Account continued.*

Dolls. Cts.

To amount brought forward,

37,843 56

Balance,

7,154 93

## CONTRA.

Cr.

Dolls. Cts.

1809. By amount brought forward, 30,688 62

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Nov. 1. By balance per above, which is carried to  
the debtor of the treasurer's account  
current, 7,154 93

Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

*November 8th, 1809.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to settle the treasurer's accounts, have examined the above account and the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 1 to No. 263, inclusive, and find the same correctly stated.

JOHN A. SCUDDER,	WM. IRICK,
BENJ. LUDLOW,	JEREMIAH DUBOIS,
SILAS WHITEHEAD,	JOHN SMITH.
JAMES PARKER,	

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Amount paid for abandoned blacks from Nov. 1, 1808,  
to Nov. 1, 1809, per foregoing account—viz.

County of Morris,	29 50
do of Essex,	786 00
do of Somerset,	2335 70
do of Bergen,	7033 46
do of Hanterdon,	632 67
do of Middlesex,	1717 37
do of Sussex,	36 00

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Total, \$ 12,570 00

*Dr. State-Prison, for receipts and disbursements*

1809.		Dolls.	Cts
<i>Jan.</i>	2. To cash paid the keeper and assistants for 1 quarters salary,	585	00
	To do paid the inspectors for their services during the year past.	139	56
	To do paid Dr Agnew, attending physician for 1 quarters salary,	15	00
	24. To do paid the Keeper for the purchase of iron,	1300	00
<i>Mar.</i>	27. To do paid do for do.	700	00
<i>April</i>	3. To do paid the keeper and assistants for 1 quarters salary,	585	00
	To do paid Dr Agnew, attending physician for 1 quarters salary,	12	50
<i>June</i>	7. To do paid the keeper for the purchase of iron,	1800	00
<i>July</i>	6. To do paid the keeper and assistants for 1 quarters salary,	570	00
	To do paid Dr Agnew, attending physician for 1 quarters salary,	12	50
	27. To do paid the keeper for the purchase of materials,	1136	73
<i>Oct.</i>	3. To do paid the keeper and assistants for 1 quarters salary,	585	00
	To do paid Dr Agnew, attending physician for 1 quarters salary,	12	50
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		7,453	79
Balance,		5,146	21
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		\$	12,600 00

1809

*Nov.* 1. To balance in favor of this account per above, which is carried to the cr. of the state-prison account current, and also to the dr. of the treasurers account current,

5,146 21

Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*



<i>from Nov. 1, 1808, to Nov. 1, 1809.</i>		CONTRA.	Cr.
1808.			Dolls. Cts.
Nov. 1.	By cash received of H. Bellerjeau, keep-		
1809.	er,		450 00
Feb. 9.	By do received of do.		600 00
April 6.	By do received of do.		600 00
May 3.	By do received of do.		1100 00
15.	By do received of do.		1200 00
June 15.	By do received of do.		1000 00
July 10	By do received of do.		600 00
Aug. 9.	By do received of do.		1750 00
21.	By do received of do.		700 00
Sept. 11.	By do received of do.		700 00
25.	By do received of do.		1550 00
29.	By do received of do.		950 00
Oct. 24.	By do received of do.		1400 00
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			\$ 12,600 00
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*November 8th, 1809.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the foregoing account with the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 1 to No. 40, inclusive, and believe the same justly stated.

JOHN A. SCUDDER,	WM. IRICK,
BENJ. LUDLOW,	JOHN SMITH,
SILAS WHITEHEAD,	JEREMIAH DUBOIS.
JAMES PARKER,	

*Dr. The Militia account,  
Being for receipts and disbursements from November 1, 1808*  
1808.

Dolls. Cts

<i>Nov.</i> 10.	To cash paid the Post-Master for letters on public business to the adjutant- general,	9 98
15.	To do paid col. Colfax for services,	21 00
<i>Dec.</i> 16.	To do paid Peter Hunt, adjutant-general, for salary and postage,	59 02½
20.	To do paid maj. James, brigade inspec- tor of Salem county for salary,	30 00
1809. <i>Jan.</i> 16.	To do paid maj. Shute, inspector of Cumberland county for do.	30 00
24.	To do paid Daniel Stuart, collector of Sussex county, for sundries,	29 36
<i>Mar.</i> 1.	To do paid maj. Whitlock, inspector of Essex county, for salary,	30 00
<i>April</i> 1.	To do paid bringing 1 piece of artillery, from Washington,	40 00
	To do paid col. Rhea, quarter-master- general, for purchase of artillery,	1680 00
	To do paid do.	59 62
	To do paid James Linn, esq. for issuing military commissions,	116 00
7.	To do paid Peter Hunt, adjutant-gener- al, for sundries,	51 86½
<i>May</i> 18.	To do paid maj. A. Post for services,	21 00
20.	To do paid col. Rhea, quarter-master- general,	1000 00
	To do paid do.	388 00
	To do paid do.	1000 00
<i>June</i> 23.	To do paid maj. M'Kissack, inspector of Somerset, for salary,	30 00
30.	To do paid maj. Freeman, inspector of Middlesex for do.	30 00
<i>July</i> 14.	To do paid maj. Kerr, inspector of Sussex for do.	30 00

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Carried forward, 4,655 85

CONTRA,

Cr.

*to November 1, 1809.*

1809.

Dolls. Cts

*Jan. 9.* By cash received of Tunis Quick, pay-  
master of Hunterdon,

150 00

*Aug. 8.* By do received of Charles Ellis, esq.  
paymaster of Burlington,

606 61

Carried forward,

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756 61

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*Dr. The Militia Account,* *continued*  
*Being for receipts and disbursements from Nov. 1, 1808, to*

Dolls. Cts.

1809.	To amount brought forward,	4,655 85
	To cash paid maj. Holcombe, inspector of Hunterdon, for salary,	30 00
18.	To do paid Peter Hunt, adjutant-gen- eral, for sundries,	31 22
	To do paid maj. Andrews, inspector of Monmouth, for salary,	30 00
Sept. 6.	To do paid col. Rhea, quarter-master- general,	2100 00
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CONTRA.

Cr.

*November 1, 1809.*

		Dolls.	Cts.
1809.	By amount brought forward,	756	61
	Balance,	6090	46
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		\$ 6847 06	
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1809.

*Nov. 1.* To balance per above, carried to the dr. of the militia account current, and also to the cr. of the treasurers account current,

6090 46

Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.**November 9th, 1809.*

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the foregoing militia account with the vouchers relative thereto, viz. from No. 2, to No. 23, inclusive, and believe it justly stated.

JAMES PARKER,

WM. IRICK,

SILAS WHITEHEAD,

JOHN SMITH,

JEREMIAH DUBOIS,

JOHN A. SCUDDER,

BENJ. LUDLOW.

*Dr. State-Prison Account current,*

1803.

Dolls. Cts.

*Nov. 1.* To amount of balance for 5 years past,  
viz. from Nov. 1, 1803, to this date,  
Nov. 1, 1808, per account rendered, 13,015 00

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## CONTRA.

Cr.

1809.

Dolls. Cts.

Nov. 1. By balance in favor of this account, per  
receipts and disbursements for the  
year past, per account this day render-  
ed,

5,146 21

Balance, 7,868 79

\$ 13,015 00

1809.

Nov. 1. To balance per above, for 6 years past,  
viz. from Nov. 1, 1803, to this day, \$ 7,868 79

Errors excepted;

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

November 8th, 1809.

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to  
settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the above ac-  
count and find it justly stated.

JAMES PARKER,  
WM. IRICK,  
SILAS WHITEHEAD,  
JEREMIAH DUBOIS,

JOHN SMITH,  
JOHN A. SCUDDER  
BENJ. LUDLOW.

*Dr. Militia Account current.*

1809.

Dolls. C<sup>t</sup>.

*Nov. 1.* To balance of receipts and disbursements  
for the year past, per account this day  
exhibited,

6,090 46

Balance,

4,705 57

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\$ 10,796 03

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## CONTRA.

Cr.

1808.

Dolls. Cts.

Nov. 1. By balance in favor of this account, per  
statement exhibited this day, 10,796 03

1809.

Nov. 1. By balance unexpended in favor of this  
account per above, \$ 4,705 57

Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.**November 8th, 1809.*

We the committees of council and Assembly appointed to  
settle the treasurers accounts, have examined the above mi-  
litia account current, and find the same justly stated.

JAMES PARKER,

JEREMIAH DUBOIS,

WM. IRICK,

JOHN A. SCUDDER,

SILAS WHITEHEAD,

BENJ. LUDLOW.

JOHN SMITH,

*Dr. Peter Gordon, Treasurer, in Account current with the*

Dolls. Cts.

	To balance remaining in the hands of the treasurer, Nov. 1, 1808, per account then rendered,	18,220 50
1809.		
Nov. 1.	To balance of receipts and disbursements from Nov. 1, 1808, to this day, per account now rendered,	7,154 93
	To balance of cash due the state-prison, for receipts and disbursements, from Nov. 1, 1808, to this date, per account now rendered,	5,146 21

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\$ 30,521 64

1809.

Nov. 1.	To balance remaining in the hands of the treasurer, per above,	\$ 24,421 18
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Errors excepted,

PETER GORDON, *Treasurer.*

state of New-Jersey,

CONTRA.

Cr.

1809.

Dolls. Cts.

Nov. 1. By balance due for receipts and dis-  
bursements of the militia account now  
exhibited,

6,090 46

Balance,

24,431 18

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 \$ 30,521 64
 

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November 8th, 1809.

We the committees of council and assembly appointed to settle the treasurers accounts, having examined the same, with the vouchers relative thereto, do find a balance remaining in the hands of the treasurer of twenty-four thousand four hundred and thirty one dollars and eighteen cents, agreeable to the above statement.

JAMES PARKER,

WM. IRICK,

SILAS WHITEREAD,

JOHN SMITH,

JEREMIAH DUBOIS,

JOHN A. SCUDDER,

BENJ. LUDLOW.

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The bill entitled An act concerning the marsh and meadow lying between the fast land of Mahlon Haines, on the river Delaware, and the fast land of John Somers on Oldman's creek, in the township of Upper-Penn's-Neck, in the county of Salem, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house resumed the consideration of the report of the military committee, and after making several amendments therein, agreed to the same ; and referred said report to the same committee, with instructions to report a bill consonant thereto.

Mr Parker with leave presented a bill entitled An act for the transfer of the right of the state of New-Jersey to subscribe to the capital stock of the bank of New-Brunswick.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to repeal part of two certain acts respecting the great road leading from Perth-Amboy to Salem, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled An act for facilitating the communication from Elizabeth-Town, in the county of Essex, through Morris-Town in the county of Morris—was called up and postponed to next sitting of the legislature.

The bill entitled An act for the relief of John Thomas Halstead and Benjamin Halstead, jun. was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act for the relief of Alexander James, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Speaker on account of the indisposition of his family, asked and obtained leave of absence,

Whereupon, Araon Kitchell, esq. was chosen Speaker pro tempore, and took the chair accordingly.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, *November 28.*

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Mr Earl from the committee to whom was committed the petition from the township of Little-Egg-Harbor, praying a law may be passed for the preservation of oysters, reported,

That having carefully examined the law now in force on that subject, they are unanimously of opinion that it is inexpedient to make any alteration therein.

Which report was read, agreed to, and the petition dismissed.

Mr Bateman presented a remonstrance from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Cumberland, against the erecting of a bridge over Cohansey creek, at Greenwich in said county; which remonstrance was ordered to be filed with the report and petitions on that subject.

The report of the committee appointed to settle the treasurer's accounts was called up and read,

Whereupon, Mr Wilson offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the committee appointed to settle the quotas of the several counties in the tax to be raised for the ensuing year, be instructed to make the apportionment of the sum of 25,000 dollars among the several counties.

Which resolution was read, and a motion made to amend it by inserting \$ 30,000, and on the question, Which sum shall be inserted, the Yeas and Nays were called for, and were as follow :

*For* \$ 25,000.

Messrs Bateman,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Doughty,

Messrs Hankinson,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,

*For \$ 25,000.*

Messrs Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,

Messrs Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

*For \$ 30,000.*

Messrs Boice,  
Colfax,  
W. Coxe,  
Earl,  
Hopper,

Messrs Irick,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Whitehead.

So it was determined in favor of \$ 25,000.

The report of the committee on the petition of the legal representatives of Hannah Preston was taken up, and after considerable discussion thereon; on the question, Shall leave be given to bring in a bill agreeably to the prayer of the petitioners? the Yeas and Nays being called for, were as follow :

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Colfax,  
Curriden,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Kerr,  
Richman,

Messrs Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

### NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Vanduyn,

So it was decided in the negative,

The petition ordered to be dismissed, and the petitioner permitted to withdraw his other papers.

The bill entitled An act for the transfer of the right of the state of New-Jersey, to subscribe to the capital stock of the bank of New-Brunswick, was read a second time; whereupon a motion was made to fill the blank with \$ 6000, and another with \$ 3,500.

On the question, Shall the blank be filled with 6000, or with 3,500 dollars? the House being called, the votes were as follow :

*For \$ 6000.*

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

*For \$ 3,500.*

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Earl,  
Hopper,

Messrs Irick,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees.

So it was determined to fill the blank with 6,000 dollars, the bill then agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.



MONDAY, *November 13.*

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Mr Dubois from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the township of Upper-Alloways creek, in the county of Salem, reported,

That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition on the second Wednesday of the next sitting of the legislature.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr Tiebout with leave presented a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters, passed the 24th of January 1798.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Stryker offered the following resolution :

Whereas by the contract entered into by the quarter-master-general, in behalf of the state with Robert B. Camfield, for furnishing 24 caissons or ammunition waggons, it is left optional with the commander in chief to take the whole number of 24 or only 11 of the same,

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief is hereby requested to take measures to confine the operation of the above contract to 11 caissons or ammunition waggons only.

Which resolution was read and agreed to.

Mr Stryker also offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what further appropriation may be necessary for completing the field artillery, and that they have leave to report by bill.

Which resolution was read, agreed to, and referred to the committee appointed on that part of the governor's message relative to the purchase of field artillery, &c.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, praying the legislature to pass a law to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the river Delaware, at Coryell's ferry.



Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Wilson, Pearson and Day, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from Samuel Wright, jr. and George Dill, praying for reasons therein set forth, that the legislature would pass a law to enable them to erect a wing dam in the river Delaware for the purpose of conveying the waters thereof into the Assanpink creek above the oil mill, the property of the petitioners ;

Also a petition from a considerable number of the inhabitants of Trenton and township of Nottingham, praying that the legislature would grant the prayer of the aforesaid Wright and Dill ;

Which petitions were read and committed to Messrs Hankinson, Whitehead and Holmes, with leave to report by bill.

The bill from council entitled An act to authorize the building of a lock in the river Delaware, for the improvement of the navigation thereof, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered a third reading.

Mr Simpson offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the act entitled An act concerning horse-racing, with leave to report by bill.

Which resolution was read, agreed to, and Messrs Simpson, Kennedy and Irick were appointed accordingly.

Mr Pearson presented a counter petition from Gideon H. Wells to that presented from Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill.

Which petition was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the relief of John Thomas Halstead and Benjamin Halstead, jun. was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the relief of Alexander James, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been respectively passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Colfax with leave presented a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike road from Acquacknonk landing in Essex to the Bellville turnpike road at the gate thereof, near Schuyler's mine in the township of New Barbadoes in the county of Bergen.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at Mitchell's and Howell's ferry, was read a second time, considered by section, amended and postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to repeal part of two certain acts respecting the great road leading from Amboy to Salem, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
W. Cox,

Messrs Crane,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,

## YEAS.

Messrs Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,

Messrs Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAY.

Mr Curriden.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the transfer of the right of the state of New-Jersey to subscribe to the capital stock of the bank of New-Brunswick, was read a third time and compared,

Whereupon, Mr Wilson presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of New-Brunswick, praying that the legislature would not pass said bill.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the negative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
W. Coxe,  
Earl,  
Irick,  
Parker,

Messrs Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,

Messrs Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,



## NAYS.

Messrs Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Squier,

Messrs Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

*Ordered*, That said bill be dismissed.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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**TUESDAY, November 14.**

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Mr Curriden from the joint committee of council and assembly appointed to examine the accounts of the State-Prison, reported,

That they have examined the said accounts, and the vouchers accompanying the same, and find a balance in favor of the state to the amount of eight hundred and fifty-four dollars and eleven cents by the operation of the institution for the year ending the first day of October last, and that the stock on hand to begin the present year with, amounts to twenty-two thousand two hundred and thirty-eight dollars and twenty-eight cents; as will appear by the general statement hereto annexed, marked No. 8—

They further report the following documents :

- No. 1. Shews the balances due to and from the New-Jersey State-Prison.
- No. 2. Shewing the balances due to and from sundry prisoners in confinement on the first day of October, 1809.
- No. 3. Shewing a number of articles manufactured, &c. at the state-prison, and unsold on the 1st day of October, 1809.
- No. 4. Shewing the amount and value of standing stock belonging to the state-prison on the 1st day of October, 1809.
- No. 5. Shewing the amount of monies drawn from, and



paid into the state treasury for the year ending the 1st of October, 1809.

No. 6. Shewing a number of small debts due to the institution on the 1st day of October, 1809.

No. 7. Shewing the amount of the attorney-general and sheriff's cost from execution, unsatisfied on the 1st of October 1809.

No. 9. Shewing the amount of profit and loss by sundry prisoners for the year ending the 1st of October, 1809.

No. 10. Shewing the number of prisoners from October 1, 1808, to October 1, 1809.

No. 11. Shewing the number of prisoners confined in the state-prison on the 1st day of October, 1809, the time they were severally convicted, their several crimes, when their time expires, and their costs, &c.

GEORGE ANDERSON,  
ISAIAH SHINN,  
PHILIP CURRIDEN,  
CALEB EARL,  
SILAS CRANE,  
JOHN BRICK,  
GEORGE BOICE.

Which report was read and ordered with the documents referred to therein, to lie on the table for the inspection of the members.

Mr Kennedy presented a petition from the proprietors of the drained lands in the county of Sussex, praying for reasons therein exhibited, legislative aid in the premises.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Edsall, Parker and Day, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Kerr presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Sussex, praying for a law to prevent justices of the peace from holding their courts in taverns.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Kerr, C. Clark and Vanduyn, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act to authorise the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge

the river Delaware, at Mitchell's and Howell's ferry, was called up, and after some time employed thereon, and further amended, postponed.

The bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed the 15th day of February, 1804, was taken up, and after considerable discussion, a motion was made to strike out the first section ; whereupon the Yeas and Nays were called for, and were as follow :

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,	Messrs Parker,
Boice,	Pearson,
C. Clark,	Post,
Colfax,	Simpson,
W. Coxe,	Squier,
Crane,	Stryker,
Day,	Vanduyne,
Earl,	Voorhees,
Hopper,	Whitehead.
Irick,	

### NAYS.

Messrs Brick,	Messrs Kennedy,
J. V. Clark,	Kerr,
J. Cox,	Kitchell,
Curriden,	Richman,
Dod,	Smith,
Doughty,	Stout,
Dubois,	Tiebout,
Edsall,	Vans ckel,
Hankinson,	Wilson.
Holmes,	

So the motion was lost.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill under discussion when adjourned.

On the question, Will the house agree to the first section?  
the Yeas and Nays being called for, were as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Dod,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Smith,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
C. Clark,  
Colfax,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Hopper,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead.

So it was decided in the negative.

*Ordered*, That said bill be dismissed.

Mr Pearson presented a memorial and remonstrance from John Brown and Deborah Brown his wife, deprecating the passing of a bill entitled An act to fulfil the last will and testament of John Wild, dec.

The Speaker read a letter addressed to him by William Griffith, council for said Brown ;

Which letter with the remonstrance and the bill from council entitled An act to appoint a trustee to fulfil the last will and testament of John Wild, dec. was committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Wilson and Bateman.

Mr Colfax from the committee appointed to settle and fix the quotas of tax in the several counties for the present year, reported the same ;

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table for the inspection of the members.



Mr Dubois presented a petition from William Lippincott, praying that the legislature would pass a law to appoint a trustee to fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of Jonathan Appleton, dec.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Dubois, Vansyckel and J. Cox.

The petition of the guardians and relatives of the orphan children of Derrick C. Westervelt, was taken up and committed to Messrs Colfax, Squier and Dod, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act respecting slaves, servants for years, free negroes, and persons of colour, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon, postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

Mr Whitehead presented a memorial from a committee of the Presbytery of New-Brunswick, praying that the legislature would permit them to introduce a bill to incorporate said Presbytery.

Which petition was read, and leave given accordingly,

Whereupon, Mr Whitehead presented a bill entitled An act for the incorporating of the Presbytery of New-Brunswick :

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wilson offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire into the practicability and expediency of establishing a state-bank, and report thereon to the house.

Which resolution was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Day with leave presented a bill entitled An act to appoint commissioners to transfer the right of the state to subscribe to the capital stock of the bank of New-Brunswick.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from council entitled An act to authorize the building of a lock in the river Delaware for the improvement of the navigation thereof, was read a third time and compared.



On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, *November 15.*

Ten o'clock, the house met.

The engrossed bill entitled An act concerning the marsh and meadow lying between the fast land of Mahlon Haines, on the river Delaware, and the fast land of John Somers on Oldman's creek, in the township of Upper-Penn's-Neck, in the county of Salem, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Irick offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That leave be given to present a bill to repeal so much of the law as requires the erecting and keeping a draw in the bridge over Crosswicks creek, between Borden-town and White-Horse.

Which resolution was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Bateman presented a petition from Peter Ladow, jun. praying for reasons therein set forth, that the legislature would pass a law authorizing and empowering Esther Gaskill administratrix of the estate of Zerababel Gaskill, dec. to make a conveyance of a certain tract of land therein specified, to the petitioner.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Bateman, Parker and Vanduyn, with leave to report by bill.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of inhabitants of this state, praying for an additional tax on dogs, reported,

That in their opinion the existing laws on that subject are sufficient.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled An act to incorporate the Fairfield manufacturing company—the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to incorporate the Washington turnpike company—and the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Parsippany and Rockaway turnpike company, severally without amendment.

Also, the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for suppressing vice and immorality—and the bill entitled An act for the relief of persons imprisoned for debt, each with amendments ; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house.

The bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act for the preservation of oysters, passed the 24th day of January, 1798, was read a second time, considered by section, amended and postponed to the 3d Wednesday of the next sitting of the legislature.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

The report of the committee appointed to settle the quotas, was called up, and ordered to be entered on the minutes.

## AN APPORTIONMENT OF THE QUOTAS OF THE SEVERAL COUNTIES IN THE STATE OF NEW-JERSEY FOR RAISE

THE SUM OF TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.																																				
Counties.	Area of improved land.	Area of unimproved land.	Houses & lots of ten acres and under.	Cow-houses at \$50 each.	Horses, 4 dollars.	Cattle, 1 dollar 50 cents.	Hens, 8 dollars.	Merchants, blacksmiths & tradesmen, 10 dollars.	Fisheries.	Saw-mills, at 35 dollars.	Grist-mill, at 51 dollars.	Fulling-mill, at 75 dollars.	Flour-mill, at 50 dollars.	Paper-mills, at \$51.	Furnes and tool-bricks.	Lan-yards, number of each, at 2 dollars.	Singl. men and horse, at 12 dollars.	Single men, at 8 dollars.	Male slaves, 16 to 50 years, at 8 dollars.	Distilleries from grain, at 40 dollars.	Distilleries of other materials, at 15 dollars.	Coaches and chaises, at 25 dollars.	Phetons, coaches, &c. with springs of steel or iron, at 80 dollars.	Four horse stage wag-gons, at 10 dollars.	Two horse stage wag-gon, at 20 dollars.	Two horse chaises, cur-ricle, &c.	Chairs, eggs, &c. stuffed & lined, at 7 dollars.	Wagon riding chairs on wheels, at 5 dollars.	Covered waggons with boxes, at 3 dollars.	Value of ratable prop-erty in each county.	Number of white inha-bitants according to last census.	Proportion of tax on rateable estate.	Proportion of tax ac-cording to census.	Proportion of tax be-tween rateable property and census.		
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Mr Wilson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to tax bank-stock ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

Mr Kerr from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act prohibiting justices of the peace holding their courts in public inns or taverns.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The amendments made by council to the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for suppressing vice and immorality, passed March 16, 1798, were read, considered, the first and last amendments agreed to, and the other amendments disagreed to, whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council and inform them that part of their amendments have been agreed to, and part disagreed to by this house.

The bill entitled An act for the incorporating of the Presbytery of New-Brunswick, was taken up, and on motion, was re-committed to Messrs W. Coxe, Vanduyn and Voorhees.

The bill entitled An act for the relief of the freeholders and inhabitants of Bergen county, was read a second time and re-committed to Messrs Colfax, Stryker and Pearson.

Mr Whitehead from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to raise the sum of 25,000 dollars, for the year of our Lord 1810.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to appoint commissioners to transfer the right of the state of New-Jersey to subscribe to the capital stock of the bank of New-Brunswick, was read a second time, considered by section, amended and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Flemington Aqueduct company was called up,

Whereupon, Mr Wilson presented a paper shewing that the order of the house of the 6th instant had been complied with;

Which bill was read and postponed.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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THURSDAY, *November 16.*

Ten o'clock, the house met.

Mr Dubois from the committee to whom was committed the petition of William Lippincott, &c. reported,

That the petitioner have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of the petition on the first Thursday of the next session of the legislature, previously advertising the purport of the bill he means to present, at least four weeks in three of the most public places in the county.

Which report was read and agreed to by the house.

Mr Colfax presented a petition from the president and directors of the Paterson and Hamburg turnpike company, praying that the legislature would pass a law to authorize them to extend their road from Deckertown in the county of Sussex, to the Delaware, opposite Milford in the state of Pennsylvania.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Colfax, Wilson and Kennedy, with leave to report by bill.

Mr Stryker from the committee on military affairs, reported a bill entitled An act for establishing a militia system.

Which bill was read, ordered a second reading and meantime to be printed.

Mr Bateman from the committee to whom was committed the resolution relative to enquiring into the necessity of making further appropriations for completing the field artillery, reported,

A bill entitled An act making further provision for the equipment of field artillery.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Squier called up No. 7 of the unfinished business, being a bill entitled An act to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike company—and at the same time presented several petitions, praying the legislature would pass the same into a law ;

Which bill and petitions, on motion, were committed to Messrs Squier, Dod and Kennedy.

Mr Pearson with leave presented a bill entitled An act for the preservation of sheep.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed,

Mr W. Coxe from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Presbytery of New-Brunswick, reported the same new modelled, under the title of An act for the relief of the Presbytery of New-Brunswick ;

Which bill was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Flemington Aqueduct company, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to appoint commissioners to transfer the right of the state of New-Jersey to subscribe to the capital stock of the Bank of New-Brunswick, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
W. Coxe,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,

Messrs Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,

## YEAS.

Messrs Kerr,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,

Messrs Squier,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,

Messrs Earl,  
Stout,  
Stryker.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

The resolution laid on the table relative to the appointing a committee to enquire into the practicability and expediency of establishing a state-bank, was read a second time, agreed to, and committed to Messrs Wilson, Parker and Whitehead.

The bill entitled An act to raise the sum of 25,000 dollars for the year of our Lord, 1810, was taken up, and after employing some time thereon,

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act to raise the sum of 25,000 dollars, &c. and after considering it by section, filling up the blanks, and making some amendments, it was ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Wilson with leave presented a bill entitled An act for the appointment of assistant attornies to the attorney-general of the state of New-Jersey ;

Which bill was read and ordered to be postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.



Mr Colfax from the committee to whom was committed the petition of the relatives, &c. of the orphan children of Derrick C. Westervelt, reported,

A bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Derrick C. Westervelt, late of the county of Bergen, deceased ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Bateman from the committee to whom was committed the petition of Peter Ladow, jun. reported,

That the petitioner have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of his petition on the first Thursday of the next session, giving four weeks previous notice of the purport of said bill in one newspaper of general circulation in said county, and by advertisements set up in three of the most public places in the vicinity of said lands.

Which report was read and agreed to.

The bill entitled An act prohibiting justices of the peace holding their courts in public inns or taverns, was read a second time, and after considerable discussion, dismissed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act for the relief of the Presbytery of New-Brunswick, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the negative as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
W. Coxe,  
Dod,  
Earl,

Messrs Hopper,  
Irick,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,

## NAYS.

Messrs J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

*Ordered*, That said bill be dismissed.

The amendments made by council to the bill entitled An act to revive and extend the act entitled An act for the relief of persons imprisoned for debt, passed the 18th day of March, 1795, were read a second time, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled an Act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike road from Aquacknonk landing in Essex, to the Bellville turnpike road at the gate thereof, near Schuyler's mine in the township of New-Barbadoes, Bergen county, was read a second time, and after some time employed thereon, on motion of postponement,

The house adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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FRIDAY, *November 17.*

Ten o'clock—the house met.

Mr Squier from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act to enable the inhabitants of the township of Newark, in the county of Essex, to sell a lot of land therein mentioned, reported the same with amendments ;

Which bill and amendments were read and postponed.

Mr W. Coxe from the committee to whom was committed the bill from council entitled An act to appoint a trustee to fulfil the last will and testament of John Wild, dec. together with a remonstrance from John Brown and Deborah his wife, &c. against the passage of the same, reported the said bill without amendment.

*Ordered*, That said bill be postponed.

Mr W. Coxe asked, and obtained leave of absence on account of indisposition.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled An act for the relief of John Thomas Halstead and Benjamin Halstead, jun. without amendment.

Also, that council have passed the bill from this house entitled An act for the relief of Alexander James, without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to raise the sum of 25,000 dollars, for the year of our Lord, 1810, was read the third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Flemington Aqueduct company, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

Mr Doughty presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the township of Great-Egg-Harbor, in the county of Gloucester, praying that the legislature would pass a law to authorize them to erect a bank or dam across Patconk's creek, at a specified place therein mentioned.

Which petition was read ; whereupon,

Mr Doughty offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition on the first Monday of next session, previously advertising the purport thereof in



the Trenton True American, and three of the most public places in the township of Egg-Harbor for three weeks immediately preceding that time.

Which resolution was read and agreed to by the House.

Mr Whitehead from the committee to whom was committed the treasurer's letter, reported,

A bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed February 15, 1804.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to incorporate a company to erect a turnpike, &c.

Whereupon, Mr Kennedy presented a petition against turnpikes generally, which petition being read, the bill was postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

Mr Wilson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware at Coryell's ferry.

Which bill was read, and ordered second reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled A supplement to An act to revive and extend the insolvent act passed the 18th of March, 1795, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,

Messrs Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,



## YEAS.

Messrs Kerr,  
Pearson,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,

Messrs Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs C. Clark,  
Hopper,  
Parker,

Messrs Post,  
Vanduyn.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused the same to be re-engrossed.

The bill from council entitled An act to appoint a trustee to fulfil the last will and testament of John Wild, dec. was read a second time and ordered a third reading.

Mr J. Cox presented a petition from John Loder, paymaster to the Over-mountain Independent Battalion of Sussex militia, praying for reasons therein set forth, that the legislature would alter the time of company training in said battalion.

Which petition was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act for the preservation of sheep, was read a second time and postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

The report of the committee on the petition praying an additional tax on dogs, &c. was read a second time and agreed to.

The bill entitled An act to tax bank-stock, was read a second time, considered by section, and after a considerable discussion ;

On the question, Will the house agree to the first section ? the Yeas and Nays being called for, were as follow :

## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Parker,

Messrs Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead.

So it was decided in the affirmative.

The other section was then agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

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SATURDAY, *November 18.*

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Mr Hankinson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to enable Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill to bring in the water from the river Delaware into the Assanpink Creek ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from council entitled An act to appoint a trustee to fulfil the last will and testament of John Wild, deceased, was read a third time.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows:

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

### NAYS.

Messrs Parker,  
Stryker,

Messrs Vanduyn,  
Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

Mr Wilson presented a memorial from Sarah Cummings and William Wood, administrators of the estate of Thomas Cummings, dec. praying for reasons therein set forth, that the legislature would pass a law authorizing them to carry into effect the last will and testament of said Thomas Cummings, deceased.

Which memorial was read, and leave given to bring in a bill accordingly.

Mr Vanduyn from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An additional supplement to an act entitled An act constituting courts for the trial of small causes passed 15 March, 1798.



Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to printed.

Mr Colfax from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to authorize a turnpike road to be made from Deckertown, in the county of Sussex to the Delaware nearly opposite Milford in the state of Pennsylvania.

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act making further provisions for the equipment of field artillery, was read a second time, and committed to Messrs Wilson, Pearson and Day ; where-upon,

*Ordered,* That the Quarter-master-general's letter relative to the subject be inserted on the minutes.

Which letter is as follows :

*Contingent expences concerning Artillery.*

Paid Hunnyman for bringing one United States field piece from Baltimore to Trenton, as a sample,	\$ 40 00
Paid the expences of General Helms in attending to the contract for field artillery and caisson at Georgetown and Baltimore,	59 62
Paid Mundy & Freeman for transporting artillery and caisson from George-Town and Baltimore, to New-York,	57 14
Paid Tomkin's & Co. for do. from New-York to Newark,	18 50

This has been actually paid,

It is impossible to say with accuracy what will be the cost of brocoles, rammers, sponges, wires, buckets and the other necessary appendages to each field piece, but from the information I have obtained, suppose that they will cost from 40 to 50 dolls. it may not exceed 40 dolls. however I am confident that at the rate of 50 dolls. not only those articles may be purchased, but all the other expences attending the

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175 27



subject be fully covered.—Say then 50 dolls.  
for each one of the 24 6 pounders, is

1200 00

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\$ 1375 27

## JONATHAN RHEA.

*His Excellency, Governor Bloomfield.*

Trenton, 14th, Nov. 1809.

Mr Dod with leave presented a bill entitled An act limiting the number of judges in the inferior court of common pleas, prescribing their fees and authorizing the appointment of commissioners to take acknowledgements and proofs of conveyances ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of the state of New-Jersey, was again taken up, the blanks filled, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Derrick C. Westervelt, late of Bergen county, deceased, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

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## MONDAY, November 20.

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Mr Wilson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act respecting the field artillery ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The speaker presented to the house the return of the adjutant-general to the commander in chief of the militia of the state of New-Jersey for the present year ; whereupon,

*Ordered,* That the said return be set up in some conspicuous place in the Hall of this house for the inspection of the members.

Mr Whitehead offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to enquire if any, and what alterations are necessary in the act for the punishment of crimes, so far as relates to forging or counterfeiting, with leave to report by bill.

Which resolution was read, agreed to, and Messrs Whitehead, Vanduyn and Wilson were appointed accordingly.

Mr Wilson offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the clerk of this house, inform council that this house is ready to go into a joint-meeting for the choice of a treasurer of the state, a reporter of cases in the supreme court, inspectors of the state-prison, and civil and military officers of the state, and request council to appoint the time and place of meeting.

Which resolution was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed February 15th, 1804, was taken up, and after considerable time employed thereon,

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

Mr Wilson, agreeably to leave given, presented a bill entitled An act for the constituting and appointing trustees to execute and fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of Thomas Cummings, late of the county of Burlington, deceased ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Wilson also, with leave presented a bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act respecting writs of scire facias, passed March 14th, 1806.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill under discussion on adjournment ; and on the question, Will the house agree to the first section of the same ? the Yeas and Nays being called for, were as follow :

## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,

Messrs Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whithead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Mr Simpson,

Mr Vanduyn.

So it was decided in the affirmative, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of the state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at Mitchell's and Howell's ferry, was again taken up, a new section introduced in lieu of the 15th stricken out, the bill agreed to and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware at Joseph Lambert's, formerly Coryell's ferry, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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TUESDAY, *November 21.*

Ten o'clock, the House met.

Lewis Condit, esq. appeared in the house and took the chair.



Mr Simpson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to prevent horse-racing and gaming ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and meantime to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, passed February 15th, 1804, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,

Messrs Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

### NAYS.

Mr Simpson,

Mr Vanduyn.

*Ordered,* That the Speaker sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to tax bank-stock, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :



## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,  
Condict, Sp.  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Richman,  
Smith,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Pearson,

Messrs Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The resolution laid on the table yesterday, was read a second time and agreed to.

Mr Dod presented a petition from Samuel Stanbury, praying for reasons therein set forth, that the legislature would pass a law authorizing him to sell and convey certain real estate therein specified.

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Dod, Doughty and Vansyckel, with leave to report by bill.

The bill entitled An act appointing trustees to execute and fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of Thomas Cummings, late of the county of Burlington, deceased, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Colfax with leave presented a bill entitled An act to amend the act entitled An act for the punishment of crimes.

Which bill was read and referred to the committee appointed to enquire what alterations are necessary in the act on that subject.

The bill entitled An additional supplement to an act entitled an Act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed 15th March, 1798, was taken up, and after considerable time employed thereon, postponed.

The bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act respecting writs of scire facias, passed March 14, 1806, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

The bill entitled An act respecting field artillery, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to authorise a turnpike road to be made from Deckertown in the county of Sussex, to the Delaware, nearly opposite Milford in the state of Pennsylvania, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to enable the inhabitants of the township of Newark, in the county of Essex, to sell a lot of land therein mentioned, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to raise monies to drain the drowned lands in the county of Sussex, passed November 28, 1806, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The report of the joint-committee relative to the state-prison accounts was read a second time, agreed to, and the following statements ordered to be entered on the Minutes of the House.

*r. The State-Prison in account current with the state of New-Jersey, commencing October 1, 1808, to Oct. 1, 1809.*

1808.		Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 1.	To amount of stock on hand, per account rendered to this date,	25,130	38
1809.	To amount of debts due to sundries, per account,	4,843	74
	To amount of debts due to prisoners,	617	61
	To amount of cost of prosecution unpaid,	2,213	15
	Balance,	854	11
		<u>\$ 33,658</u>	<u>99</u>

## CONTRA.

1809.		Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 1.	By amount of debts due the institution,	14,086	20
	By amount of do due from the prisoners,	3424	92
	By amount of materials on hand,	9075	06
	By amount of standing stock on hand,	3019	19
	By balance of monies paid into the treasury,	3746	21
	By amount of debts not posted, per account,	225	99
	By cash on hand,	81	42
		<u>\$ 33,658</u>	<u>99</u>

By balance in favor of the institution for the year past, per above, \$ 854 11

*Dr. The State-Prison, being a statement shewing the amount of stock to commence with October 1, 1809.*

1809.	Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 1. To amount of stock on hand October 1, 1808, per account then rendered,	25,130	38
To profit made the year past, per above statement,	854	11
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	25,984	49
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1809.

Oct. 1. To balance per above, being the neat stock on hand,	\$ 22,238	28
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CONTRA.

1809.

	Gr.	Dolls.	Cts.
By balance of monies paid into the treasury, per account,		3746	21
Balance,		22,238	28
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		25,984	49
		<hr/>	

*Recapitulation to shew where the above stock is from, and what it consists of.*

	Dolls.	Cts.
Amount of debts due the institution,	17,737	11
Amount of materials on hand,	9075	06
Amount of standing stock,	3019	19
Cash in hand,	81	42
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	29,912	78
Subtract for debts due from the institution,	7674	50
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Stock on hand,	\$ 22,238	28
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The house resumed the consideration of the bill relative to the trial of small causes, &c. and after some time employed thereon, it was committed to the committee who reported the same.

Mr Kennedy with leave presented a bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to issue commissions for the examination of witnesses, and to take depositions in certain cases, passed the 18th day of February, 1799.

The bill entitled An act limiting the number of judges in the inferior court of common pleas, was taken up, read and postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

Mr Colfax with leave presented a bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to carry into effect the will of Henry Brockholst, deceased.

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to half-past nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

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### WEDNESDAY, *November 22.*

Half past nine o'clock, the house met.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of the state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at Mitchell's and Howell's ferry, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,

Messrs Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Pearson,  
Richman,

## YEAS.

Messrs Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,

Messrs Vanduyn.  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs J. V. Clark,  
Irick,

Messrs Stout,  
Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Wilson presented a petition from several inhabitants of Trenton, praying the legislature not to pass the bill now before the house permitting Wright & Dill to make a wing-dam, &c.

Which petition was read and ordered a second reading with the said bill.

Mr Whitehead from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled A supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Earl with leave presented a bill entitled An act to prevent the pillage of timber ;

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to carry into effect the will of Henry Brockholst, dec. was read a second time and postponed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill entitled An act supplementary to the act entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware and for other purposes, without amendment, and that council adhere to the amendments made to the bill from the house of assembly, entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for suppressing

vice and immorality ; which amendments were disagreed to by this house ;

Whereupon, Mr Wilson moved that a committee be appointed to confer with a committee of council on this subject, and that the clerk inform council thereof, and request them to appoint a committee on their part for this purpose ;

Which motion was agreed to, and Messrs Wilson, Richman and C. Clark, were appointed accordingly.

The bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to issue commissions for the examination of witnesses, and to take their depositions in certain cases, passed the 18th day of February, 1799, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to enable Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill to bring in the water from the river Delaware into the Assanpink creek, was called up and re-committed with the petitions relative thereto, to the committee who reported the same.—Mr Whitehead requesting to be excused from attending on account of indisposition, Mr Kerr was appointed in his place ; and, on motion, Messrs J. V. Clark and Smith were added to said committee.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Derrick C. Westervelt, late of Bergen county, deceased, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware at Joseph Lambert's, formerly Coryell's ferry, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,

Messrs Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,



## YEAS.

Messrs Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,

Messrs Pearson,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Irick,  
Stout,

Mr Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, [inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

Mr Irick with leave presented a bill entitled An act concerning the draw in the bridge over Crosswick's creek, in the county of Burlington ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr Vanduyn from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An additional supplement to an act entitled An act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed 15th March, 1798, reported the same with sundry amendments.

Which bill was read, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to prevent horse-racing and gaming, was taken up, and after considerable time employed thereon, was committed to the committee who reported it.



Mr Dod from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of that part of the real estate late of Jacob Wyckoff, deceased, which was set off to Phebe Stanbury ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to half past nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

## TUESDAY, *November 23.*

Half-past nine o'clock, the House met.

The engrossed bill entitled An act respecting field artillery, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled An act respecting writs of scire facias, passed March 14th, 1806, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to enable the inhabitants of the township of Newark, in the county of Essex, to sell a lot of land therein mentioned, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,

Boice,

C. Clark,

J. V. Clark,

Collax,

J. Cox,

Messrs Crane,

Curriden,

Day,

Dod,

Doughty,

Dubois,

## YEAS.

Messrs Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Pearson,  
Post,

Messrs Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyn,  
Vansyckel,  
Voerhees,  
Whitehead.

## NAY.

Mr Wilson.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

Mr Wilson with leave presented a bill entitled A supplement to An act for suppressing vice and immorality.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act respecting the draw in the bridge over Crosswick's creek, in the county of Burlington, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill entitled An act to raise the sum of 25,000 dollars, for the year of our Lord, 1810, without amendment—and the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Flemington Aqueduct company, with an amendment; to which amendment they request the concurrence of this house;

Which amendment was read, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The resolution of Mr Dod relative to appointing a committee to enquire what business is necessary to be transacted during the present sitting, and what time the house may rise, was read, agreed to, and Messrs Dod, Pearson and Wilson, appointed a committee for that purpose.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to raise monies to drain the drowned lands in the county of Sussex, passed November 28th, 1806, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled An act more effectually to prevent the pillage of timber, was read and committed to Messrs Pearson, Tiebout and Vansyckel.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting for the choice of a treasurer of the state, a reporter of cases in the supreme court, inspectors of the state-prison, and civil and military officers of the state, on Saturday next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in the assembly-room.—Also that council have passed a bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to ascertain and define the boundary lines of the several streets in the town plat of Newark, in the county of Essex, and for preventing encroachments on the same; to which bill they request the concurrence of this house.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

Mr Squier from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike, reported the same with amendments;

Which bill was read, and on motion to strike out the first section? the Yeas and Nays being called for, were as follow:



## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
 Dod,  
 Dubois,  
 Hankinson,  
 Holmes,  
 Kennedy,  
 Kerr,  
 Kitchell,

Messrs Richman,  
 Smith,  
 Stout,  
 Tiebout,  
 Vansyckel,  
 Whitehead,  
 Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
 Brick,  
 C. Clark,  
 J. V. Clark,  
 Colfax,  
 J. Cox,  
 Crane,  
 Curriden,  
 Day,  
 Earl,  
 Edsall,

Messrs Hopper,  
 Irick,  
 Parker,  
 Pearson,  
 Post,  
 Simpson,  
 Squier,  
 Stryker,  
 Vanduyn,  
 Voorhees.

So it was decided in the negative.

The bill was then progressed in, agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Pearson from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act for the preservation of timber, reported the same with amendments.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act for suppressing vice and immorality, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to issue commissions for the examination of witnesses, and to take depositions in certain cases, passed



the 18th day of February, 1799, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

### NAYS.

Mr Bateman,

Mr Whitehead.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorise the sale of the real estate of Derrick C. Westervelt, dec. was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,

Messrs J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,

## YEAS.

Messrs Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Kennedy,  
Kitchell,  
Post,

Messrs Richman,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kerr,  
Parker,

Messrs Simpson,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees.

✓ *Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorise a turnpike road to be made from Deckertown, in the county of Sussex, to the Delaware nearly opposite Milford in the state of Pennsylvania, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hopper,  
Irick,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,

Messrs Dod,  
Dubois,

## NAYS.

Messrs Hankinson,  
Holmes,  
Kitchell,  
Richman,

Messrs Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

*Ordered*, That the Speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bills to council, inform them that they have been passed by this house, and request the concurrence of council therein.

The house adjourned to half past nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

## FRIDAY, November 24.

Half past nine o'clock—the house met.

Mr J. V. Clark from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act to enable Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill to bring in the water from the river Delaware into the Assanpink Creek, reported the same with amendments ;

Which bill was read, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Kitchell presented a petition from the Associates of the Jersey company ;

Which petition was read and committed to Messrs Kitchell, Parker and Colfax.

Mr Simpson from the committee to whom was committed the bill entitled An act to prevent horse-racing and gaming, reported the same with amendments ;

Which bill was read and after some time employed thereon, postponed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill entitled An act to repeal part of two certain acts respecting the great road leading from Perth-Amboy to Salem, without amendment—a bill entitled An act to appoint commissioners to transfer the right of the state of New-Jersey to subscribe to



the capital stock of the bank of New-Brunswick—a bill entitled An act concerning the marsh and meadow lying between the fast lands of Mahlon Haines, on the river Delaware, and the fast lands of John Somers, on Oldman's creek, in the township of Upper-Penns-Neck, severally without amendment—and a bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the Delaware river, at Mitchell's and Howell's ferry with amendments; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house;

Which amendments were read, ageed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act respecting the draw in the bridge over Crosswick's creek, &c. was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this House, and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled An act establishing a militia system, was taken up, and after some time employed thereon,

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

~~Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.~~

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill entitled An act to authorise the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at Joseph Lambert's, formerly Coryell's ferry, with amendments.

Which amendments were read, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act appointing trustees to execute and fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament



of Thomas Cummings, late of the county of Burlington, deceased, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act establishing a militia system, and after making considerable progress therein,

The House adjourned to half past nine o'clock tomorrow morning.

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### SATURDAY, *November 25.*

Half past nine o'clock, the House met.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the Delaware river, at Mitchell's and Howell's ferry, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsail,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs J. V. Clark,  
Irick,

Mr Stout.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused the said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled *An act to enable Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill to bring in the water from the river Delaware into the Assanpink creek*, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Dod,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,

Messrs Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
C. Clark,  
Curriden,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,

Messrs Smith,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Whitehead.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

Council came into the Assembly-room, and the two houses went into joint-meeting ; after which

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon, the House met.

Council came into the Assembly-Room, and the two Houses went into Joint-Meeting ; after which

The house resumed the consideration of the bill entitled An act establishing a militia system ; and having gone through the same by section, ordered it to be engrossed.

The Speaker again asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the sitting, and left the chair,

Whereupon, Silas Whitehead, esq. was chosen Speaker pro tem. and took the chair ; and the clerk ordered to inform council thereof.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

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### MONDAY, *November 27.*

Ten o'clock, the House met.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the governor of this state to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the river Delaware, at Joseph Lambert's formerly Coryell's ferry, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
C. Clark,  
Colfax,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Doughty,

Messrs Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

## YEAS.

Messrs Kitchell,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Squier,

Messrs Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Mr Irick,

Mr Voorhees.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said re-engrossed bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act to incorporate the Flemington Aqueduct company was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to establish a militia system, was taken up and postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled An additional supplement to an act entitled An act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed 15th March, 1798, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house, and request their concurrence therein.



The bill entitled An act to incorporate the Newark and Morris turnpike company, was called up and postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

The bill from council entitled A supplement to an act to ascertain and define the boundary lines of the several streets in the townplat of Newark, in the county of Essex, and to prevent encroachments on the same, was read a second time, considered by section; then a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk inform council that said bill has been passed by this house without amendment.

The bill entitled An act to prevent horse-racing and gaming was taken up and dismissed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council has passed the bill from this house entitled A supplement to the act entitled An act to raise monies to drain the drowned lands in the county of Sussex, without amendment—and a bill from this house entitled An additional supplement to the act entitled An act for the gradual abolition of slavery, without amendment—and that council non concur to the bill from this house entitled An act to tax bank-stock.

The house adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.

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Three o'clock afternoon, the house met.

Mr Kitchell from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Associates of the Jersey company, reported,

That objections have been raised in the congress of the United States against the erection of the port of Jersey into a separate port of entry, caused principally from its contiguity to New-York, and the danger arising thereby from frauds on revenue—

That these objections which are raised by the Secretary of the Treasury, have hitherto prevented the erection of the port of Jersey into a separate port of entry, and will no doubt operate against it in future—

That (as your committee are informed) it has been proposed by the secretary of the treasury to take a portion of New-Jersey, which, together with the district of New-York, should form one revenue district—That a collector and an assistant collector should be appointed to reside in the district, one at Jersey and the other at New-York—The assistant collector to be appointed by the president of the United States, and not by the collector of New-York—That he should have the power of granting entries and clearances in the same manner as the collector, and have a concurrent authority with him.

That all cases arising under the revenue laws within the territorial limits of New-Jersey, should be tried in the district of New-Jersey, and that nothing in the act to be passed for this purpose should be construed to interfere with the territorial jurisdiction of either state, leaving the question of boundary between the states wholly untouched—

That the Associates of the Jersey Company despairing of obtaining An act of congress for erecting the port of Jersey into a separate port of entry, are willing to acquiesce in the arrangement proposed, and it therefore remains to be decided by the state of New-Jersey how far it is expedient to accede to such arrangement—The committee therefore submit the following Resolutions :

*Resolved*, That (any instructions heretofore given, notwithstanding) the senators and representatives of this State, in the congress of the United States, be, and they are hereby requested to use their endeavors to procure a law for erecting the port of Jersey into a port of entry, either independently or in connexion with the port of New-York, and as may seem to them best for guarding the revenues of the United States, and for securing to the inhabitants of the port of Jersey the privileges usually attached to a port of entry ; affixing to said port limits not extending beyond the limits of the town of Jersey, as described in the act of this state enti-

tled An act to incorporate the Associates of the Jersey company: *Provided always*, That the jurisdictional rights as claimed by the state of New-Jersey may not be compromised, impaired or affected by the said law, and that the officers of the port of Jersey be appointed directly by the government of the United States, and subject to their orders and controul, and be residents of the state of New-Jersey.

*Resolved*, That the governor of this state be directed to forward copies of the foregoing Resolution to the Senators and Representatives of this state, in the congress of the United States.

Which report was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled An act to prevent the pillage of timber was taken up and referred to the next sitting of the legislature.

Mr Simpson with leave presented a bill entitled An act to repeal an act entitled An act to amend the act concerning horse-racing, and to revive the first.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to establish a militia system, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows :

#### YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
C. Clark,  
Colfax,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Kitchell,  
Parker,

Messrs Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

#### NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Brick,

Messrs J. Cox,  
Curriden,



## NAYS.

Messrs Boughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Irick,  
Kerr,  
Richman,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel.

The bill entitled A supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes, was taken up, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of that part of the real estate late of Jacob Wyckoff, deceased, which was set off to Phebe Stanbury, was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Stryker with leave presented a bill entitled A further supplement to the act entitled An act for establishing and conducting the military force of New Jersey ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

On motion of Mr Wilson,

The committee who were appointed to enquire and report what business remained on the files of the house necessary to be acted on during this sitting, and what time it will be proper for the house to rise, were discharged, &c.

The speaker presented to the house the Treasurer's bond ; which was read, approved of, and sent to council.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

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**TUESDAY, November 28.**

Ten o'clock, the House met.

The resolutions reported by a committee yesterday containing instructions to the Senators and Representatives of this state in the Congress of the United States relative to the Port of Jersey, were read a second time, agreed to and ordered to be sent to council for their concurrence.

Mr Colfax presented a petition from a number of inhabitants of the township of Bergen, complaining of certain grievances suffered from the President and Directors of the



Turnpike Road from the Bridge over Hackinsack river to the town of Jersey, and praying redress ; Whereupon,

*Ordered*, That the petitioners have leave to present a bill to answer the prayer of their petition on the second Wednesday of next sitting.

The bill entitled A further supplement to the act entitled An act for establishing and conducting the Military force of New-Jersey, was taken up, considered, and ordered to be engrossed.

The speaker pro tempore presented to the House, the following report :

The subscriber being appointed to receive the monies arising from rent, interest, &c. in the hands of the Paterson Society, &c. and to report the highest price that can be obtained for each share of the stock ; begs leave to report,

That in order to obtain the above objects—I called on the society's agent at Paterson to inquire into the amount of profits arising from the rents of the property at that place, and to ascertain more satisfactorily the value of the same—The agent's books were not posted up, but he promised to send forward a statement of his accounts to Elisha Boudinot, esq. governor of the society, at Newark. I called on him for information ; and to obtain the dividend, if any due the state ; he informed me that the whole of the rents, issues and profits arising from the property at Paterson, had been expended in improvements, and the interest arising on the unexpended capital is considered by the governor of the society to belong to the capital, and cannot be divided.

The shares of the stock have been sold at fifteen dollars per share, and perhaps something more might be obtained.

Your commissioner begs leave to observe that the shares have risen from two to three dollars per share last year, and in all probability will continue to rise ; as the advantages for the erecting mills are perhaps superior to any in the United States ; there being forty or fifty valuable seats on the Society's property. All which is respectfully submitted.

SILAS WHITEHEAD.

Which report was read, and ordered to be entered on the minutes.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled An act supplementary to the act for suppressing vice and immorality, passed March 16th, 1798; and the bill entitled An act supplementary to an act entitled An act respecting writs of scire facias, passed March 14, 1806; severally, with amendments: to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house.

The amendments made by council to the bill first above mentioned, were read, considered, and disagreed to; and the clerk directed to inform council thereof.

The amendments made by council to the bill respecting writs of scire facias, were read and ordered a second reading.

The bill concerning Horse-racing was considered by section, and ordered to engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of that part of the real estate late of Jacob Wyckoff, deceased: which was set off to Phebe Stanbury, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

#### YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,

Messrs Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Squier,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

#### NAYS.

Messrs Boice,  
J. V. Clark,  
Curriden,

Messrs Day,  
Earl,  
Irick,

## NAYS.

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Simpson,  
Stout,

Messrs Stryker,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,

The engrossed bill entitled A further supplement to the act entitled An act for establishing and conducting the military force of New-Jersey, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,  
Kitchell,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees.

## NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Brick,  
J. Cox,  
Curriden,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,

Messrs Hankinson,  
Kerr,  
Richman,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel,  
Wilson.

The bill entitled An act respecting writs of scire facias was taken up, the amendments agreed to, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Lion their secretary, informed the house that council do not concur in the bill entitled An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Derrick C. Westervelt, deceased.

The House adjourned to three o'clock afternoon.



Three o'clock afternoon—the House met.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An act respecting writs of scire facias, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, and inform them that the house have agreed to the amendments made by council to the said bill, and have caused the same to be re engrossed.

Mr Vanduyn reported a bill entitled An act to defray incidental charges.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled A supplement to an act entitled An act to issue commissions for the examination of witnesses, and to take their depositions in certain cases—and a bill entitled An additional supplement to An act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed March 15, 1798; respectively, with amendments; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house.

Which amendments were severally read, agreed to, and the bills as amended ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr Post presented a petition from the heirs, to the estate of Rowland Hill, dec. praying for a law to enable them to sell the same.

Which petition was read and dismissed.

The engrossed bill entitled A supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to repeal An act entitled An act to amend the act concerning horse-racing, passed December 3, 1804; and to revive the act entitled An act



concerning horse-racing, passed March 8, 1797, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Doughty,  
Dubois,  
Earl,  
Hopper,  
Irick,  
Kerr,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyn,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

NAYS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Curriden,  
Hankinson,

Messrs Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Stout,  
Vansyckel.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that it has been passed by this house and request their concurrence therein.

The bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges, was read a second time, considered by section and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr Squier with leave presented a bill providing that the printed laws of the state may be read in evidence, &c.

Which bill was read, considered ; engrossed and postponed to the next sitting of the legislature.

The house adjourned to eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

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WEDNESDAY, *November 29.*

Eight o'clock, the house met.

The engrossed bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges, was read a third time and compared.

On the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
Brick,  
C. Clark,  
J. V. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,

Messrs Kerr,  
Kitchell,  
Parker,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

## NAY.

Mr Dubois.

The re-engrossed bill entitled An additional supplement to An act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, passed March 15, 1798, was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :

## YEAS.

Messrs Bateman,  
Boice,  
C. Clark,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Curriden,  
Day,  
Dubois,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Holmes,  
Kennedy,  
Kerr,

Messrs Kitchell,  
Richman,  
Simpson,  
Smith,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Stryker,  
Tiebout,  
Vanduyne,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Earl,

Messrs Parker,  
Pearson.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk inform council that the house have agreed to the amendments of said bill, and caused the same to be re-engrossed.

The re-engrossed bill entitled *A supplement to an act entitled An act to issue commissions for the examination of witnesses, and to take their depositions in certain cases,* was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried unanimously in the affirmative.

*Ordered,* That the speaker sign said bill.

*Ordered,* That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused the same to be re-engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council have passed the bill from this house entitled *An act appointing trustees to execute and fulfil the purposes of the last will and testament of Thomas Cummings, dec.*—The bill entitled *An act to provide for the payment of the several officers of the government of the state of New-Jersey*—The bill entitled *An act respecting Field Artillery*—The bill entitled *An act to enable the inhabitants of the township of Newark, in the county of Essex, to sell a lot of land therein mentioned*—The bill entitled *An act respecting the draw in the bridge over Crosswick's creek, in the county of Burlington*—And the bill entitled *An act to authorise a turnpike road to be made from Deckertown, in the county of Sussex to the Delaware nearly opposite Milford, in the state of Pennsylvania; severally, without amendment.*—Also the bill entitled *An act to enable Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill to bring in the water from the river Delaware into the Assanpink Creek; with amendments; to which amendments they request the concurrence of this house; which amendments were read and agreed to by the house, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.*

The re-engrossed bill entitled *An act to enable Samuel Wright, jun. and George Dill to bring in the water from the river Delaware into the Assanpink creek,* was read and compared.

On the question, Shall this re-engrossed bill pass ?

It was carried in the affirmative as follows :



## YEAS.

Messrs Boice,  
Brick,  
J. V. Clark,  
Colfax,  
J. Cox,  
Crane,  
Day,  
Earl,  
Edsall,  
Hankinson,  
Hopper,  
Holmes,  
Irick,

Messrs Kerr,  
Parker,  
Pearson,  
Post,  
Simpson,  
Squier,  
Stout,  
Tiebout,  
Vansyckel,  
Voorhees,  
Whitehead,  
Wilson.

## NAYS.

Messrs C. Clark,  
Smith,

Messrs Stryker,  
Vanduyn.

*Ordered*, That the speaker sign the same.

*Ordered*, That the clerk carry said bill to council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by council have been agreed to by this house, and that they have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

A message from council by Mr Linn their secretary, informed the house that council has passed the bill from this house entitled An act to repeal an act entitled An act to amend the act concerning horse-racing, passed December 3, 1804; and to revive the act entitled An act concerning horse-racing, passed March 3, 1797—The bill entitled A supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes—The bill entitled An act to defray sundry incidental charges, severally, without amendment—And that council do adhere to their amendments made to the bill from this house for the suppressing of vice and immorality.—Also that council concur in the resolution of this house, giving instructions to the Senators and Representatives of this State in Congress, relative to the city of Jersey.

The House rose.



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